SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

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Question No. 87

Senator Siewert asked the following question at the hearing on 27 May 2008:

Family Relationship Centres:

- a) Is the review of the advertising requirements relating to Family Relationships Centres publicly available?
- b) What were the findings from the review of the advertising requirements relating to Family Relationships Centres?
- c) Describe the type of advertising that will no longer be funded?
- d) Describe the type of advertising that is still funded?

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

a & b)There was no review of advertising requirements relating to Family Relationship Centres.

- c) A national advertising campaign will not be produced. Such a campaign would have used television, newspapers, radio and outdoor advertising.
- d) Approximately \$6.15 million is available for community education over the next four years. This funding will shift the emphasis:
 - to more grassroots, community focused activities rather than an national advertising campaign
 - to direct local engagement with stakeholders and influential community leaders rather than using primarily national advertising to convey family relationship information
 - to using in-house staff resources rather than contracted media service providers, and
 - to helping family relationship service providers to conduct their own promotional campaigns (eg through the development of media packs, public relations and media engagement coaching) rather than a centrally managed advertising campaign.

There will also be limited local advertising support through Yellow and White Pages.