

## Auditor-General for Australia



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Senator Sarah Hanson-Young Australian Greens' Senator for South Australia Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600 By email: <a href="mailto:senator.hanson-young@aph.gov.au">senator.hanson-young@aph.gov.au</a>

Dear Senator Hanson-Young

I am writing in response to your letter of 1 June 2017 requesting that I consider undertaking an audit of the current and historical funding practices of Catholic Education Commissions.

My office is currently undertaking an audit to assess the arrangements established by the Department of Education and Training to measure the impact of Australian Government school funding which is due to be tabled in the 2017 Spring session of Parliament.

More information about the audit can be found on the ANAO website: <a href="https://www.anao.gov.au/work/performance-audit/measuring-impact-australian-government-school-funding">https://www.anao.gov.au/work/performance-audit/measuring-impact-australian-government-school-funding</a>.

In the context of this audit, the ANAO will consider, among a range of issues, transparency and accountability measures related to the provision of funding for schools by the Australian Government.

In light of the scope of the ANAO performance audit currently underway, I do not plan to undertake a separate audit on the current and historical funding practices of Catholic Education commissions.

Yours sincerely

Grant Hehir