

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Gary Higgins to the Chief Minister

Grants

1. What is the purpose of the grant in the amount of \$250,000 paid to the NT Trades and Labor Council, which trades as Unions NT in 2017/18?

The purpose is contained in the agreement attached.

2. When was the grant first contemplated?

It has been standing Labor policy since 2001 to fund important community groups like Unions NT, ECNT, ALEC, The Environmental Defenders Office and the Chamber of Commerce amongst others.

The funding for many of these groups was cut by the previous CLP Government and reinstated under the current Government.

3. Who negotiated the funding agreement?

The Agreement was negotiated by the Department of the Chief Minister's Corporate Services Team, with coordination led by Department of the Chief Minister's Social Policy Unit in discussion with Unions NT.

4. Did any member of the Office of the Chief Minister have a role to play in negotiation of this agreement and if so can you please provide the details?

No.

5. Will you provide a copy of the five year agreement and the acquittal of the grant for the first year of the agreement?

The first acquittal is due in November 2018.