Question on Notice No. 295 Asked on 2 March 2017

MR J SEENEY ASKED MINISTER FOR EDUCATION AND MINISTER FOR TOURISM, MAJOR EVENTS AND THE COMMONWEALTH GAMES (HON K JONES)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the Attracting Aviation Investment Fund established by the former LNP Government—

Will the Minister advise the current balance of the fund and how much has been apportioned in 2016-17 (to date)?

ANSWER:

The Palaszczuk Government provided a \$10 million boost to the Attracting Aviation Investment Fund in 2015 to continue supporting new airline services into Queensland.

As a result of our investment, we have secured more than 600,000 extra seats on international flights to Queensland since February 2015, generating an additional \$440 million in overnight visitor expenditure.

In 2012, the former LNP Government committed \$8 million to the Attracting Aviation Investment Fund.

This fund has been committed in full.

\$5.7 million has been expended with a balance of \$2.3 million for remaining contract payments.

In 2016-17 a total of \$4 million was committed.