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To: Deputy Secretary, Economic and Strategy

SUMMARY OF KEY MEDIA	Monday 20 August 2012 (including weekend)
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6. **'We name the school losers the Prime Minister Julia Gillard vows to rescue' – (Sunday Telegraph) 19 Aug**

Topic(s) – Reaction to modeling on schools funding

Key Points:

- The Sunday Telegraph today published the full list of schools to emerge as losers based on data provided by the Department of Education to schools and state governments.
- This data has been used in secret modelling prepared by the states and non-government schools, and suggest up to a third of schools could be worse off.
- Catholic Education Office executive director Stephen Elder said schools had not released their own modelling to date because negotiations with the government were ongoing.
- Opposition education spokesman Christopher Pyne said the government has serious questions to answer.
- Independent Schools Council spokesman Bill Daniels calls on Ms Gillard to release the Commonwealth's modelling stating *'Without a clear and transparent account of where this money is coming from, the Gonski announcement will be a hoax'*.

7. 'Funding, change at what cost?' – Samantha Maiden (Sunday Mail Brisbane) – 19 August 2012

Topic(s) – Funding losses

- In May the Education Department responded to concerns about a lack of information by providing modelling to states and schooling sectors.
- After running their schools through the modelling many were concerned that they would lose funding and lobbied the government to look at the results of the funding.
- The author theorises that one way the Government could attempt 'to get away with the no-loser pledge is to argue the overall bucket of money to Catholic schools or indeed public schools is greater than it was previously.' She notes that based on the modelling obtained by the newspaper all states would emerge as winners in overall cash terms except WA and ACT if this were the case and so the Commonwealth Government would then ask the systems to smooth out anomalies for individual schools and top up the funding for WA and the ACT itself.
- Noted that the expected announcement this week had been delayed.

8. 'PM Promises schools will not lose out' – Samantha Maiden (Sunday Mail, Brisbane) – 19 August 2012

Topic(s) - 'No school loses a dollar', Funding losses QLD

- Similar in content as above but notes that modelling indicates that 479 Queensland schools will lose out under Gonski
- Highlighted what it is anticipated the Government will announce including:
 - A delayed transition to a new funding model
 - \$3bn in new funding a year

9. 'Funding level at risk for 248 SA schools' – Samantha Maiden (Sunday Mail Adelaide) – 19 August 2012

Topic(s) – Funding losses, South Australia

- Uncertainty amongst schools as to what the reforms will mean for them. Modelling indicates that one third of schools will be losers (included 248 SA schools) but the PM has announced no school will lose a dollar, so schools are eager to know what funding model will be used.
- Expectations that PM will announce up to \$3bn in new funding in an attempt to shame the states into providing more money for public schools.

10. 'Funding shock: 248 SA schools at risk' – Samantha Maiden (Sunday Mail, Adelaide) – 19 August 2012

Topic(s) – Funding losses, South Australia

- Largely as above but it includes a list of the biggest losing schools in South Australia.

11. 'Cuts run deepest at low-fee schools' – Samantha Maiden and Briana Domjen (Sunday Telegraph Sydney) – 19 August 2012
Similar appeared in the Sunday Herald Sun

Topic(s) – Funding losses

- Biggest losers from modelling are public schools and low-fee Catholic primary schools
- Includes a list of the biggest losers in NSW