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Senator Bernardi asked:

Has any timeline been set by the Minister's office or the Department for the introduction of income management in the APY Lands?

Answer:

On 4 May 2012 the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and the Minister for Disability Reform, the Hon. Jenny Macklin MP, announced that the Government would engage in a comprehensive consultation process with communities in the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) Lands about the possibility of introducing income management. Between 8 May and early June 2012, Departmental officials have consulted with communities and service providers. The outcomes of consultations will inform the Minister's decision about whether to introduce income management in the APY Lands.