

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**  
**Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice**  
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**Communications Portfolio**  
**Australian Broadcasting Corporation**

**Question No: 226**

**Program No. Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC)**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: 7.30 position in NT**

**Senator Xenophon asked:**

I understand the dedicated 7.30 position in the Northern Territory closed in 2013 and have been advised ABC News has since established a Darwin-based senior reporter working primarily for the National Reporting Team, but available to file current affairs stories for 7.30.

When was this position established and how many current affairs stories have been filed by this reporter for 7.30 since inception?

**Answer:**

The reporter has been working with the National Reporting Team since October 2013. In that time he has done two stories for the national 7.30, two stories for the Northern Territory 7.30, and three stories for *Lateline*. He also contributes to other news output.