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Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice

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Communications Portfolio

NBN Co Limited

Question No: 241

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Topic: Sky Muster

Senator Griff, Stirling asked:

Regarding Sky Muster: What have the network fixes and hiring a reported 10 extra staff cost NBN?

- (a) Which budget line has this money been drawn from, and what has been the impact of this additional expenditure on other spending/services?
- (b) Are the ten new “engineers and solution architects” hired in March permanent hires or contract?

Answer:

- (a) The network fixes were undertaken using the existing budget. This includes the development of new solutions and optimisation of the satellite network.
- (b) The new engineers and solution architects were permanent hires.