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Senator Urquhart asked:

In terms of the draft decision on the GBR from UNESCO to the World Heritage Committee's 41st meeting in Krakow (2- 12 July) what will be the thrust of the Department's advice to the Government for the 41st meeting on UNESCO's recommendation that Australia submit a report by 1 December 2019 on " the state of conservation of the property, demonstrating effective and sustained protection of the property's Outstanding Universal Value"?

Answer:

This draft decision reiterates a request agreed by the World Heritage Committee at its 39th session in 2015. Australia will submit a state of conservation report for the Great Barrier Reef World Heritage Area, by 1 December 2019, as requested.