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Senator: Ludwig

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Question:

Senator LUDWIG: Have you been asked to do some assumptions over the medium term? **Ms Huxtable:** I am not sure. We might have to take that on notice, Senator, in terms of exactly what has been asked at what level of the department. I am not aware of it in particular.

Senator LUDWIG: Perhaps you could take it on notice. I have used the broad term 'involvement', but I mean what Finance has been asked to do.

Answer:

Finance had discussions and shared information with Treasury at a technical level on the medium-term (ten-year) outlook for government expenditure. This included information about methodology and assumptions to generate projections of expenditure on particular government programmes.