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Senator: Senator the Hon Jan McLucas

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Question:

Senator McLucas: When do you think that policy will be finalised?

Mr Neal: Are you talking about the impact that has on staff—the staff housing policy or the divestments strategy?

Senator McLucas: No. The divestments strategy.

Mr Neal: I think I will have to take that on notice. I do not have the actual date that that will be finalised by with me.

Answer:

The Property Divestment Strategy was approved as part of the 2015-16 Budget. The Strategy will be supported by an Implementation Plan that is expected to be finalised early in the 2015-16 financial year. This will consider the locations of surplus housing, activity in local property markets, and the ongoing requirement to support our staff where suitable accommodation options are not available.