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Question:

When is the COAG Land Review due to report?

- a. When is the interim report from the Expert Indigenous Working Group due?
- b. Will a final report be presented to COAG?
- c. Who is responsible for writing the final report?
- d. Is the Senior Officers Working Group comprised of departmental staff?

Answer:

A report is due to be delivered to COAG in late 2015.

- a. The Expert Indigenous Working Group will not deliver an interim report.
- b. As agreed at the COAG meeting of 17 April 2015, the Investigation will deliver a report to the late-2015 COAG meeting.
- c. The report is being prepared by the Senior Officers Working Group in consultation with the Expert Indigenous Working Group.
- d. The Senior Officers Working Group is comprised of officials from the Commonwealth and participating jurisdictions.