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Senator: Senator Nova Peris

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Question:

Senator PERIS: Can I ask the minister when was the last time he visited Charles Darwin University?

Senator Scullion: I would have to take that on notice. I am in and out of Charles Darwin University on a number of matters that do not necessarily correspond to the sort of answer that you want in terms of my being there as a senator. I will have to take that on notice.

Answer:

Between September 2013 and December 2014, Minister Scullion had met with representatives from Charles Darwin University on a number of occasions but had not visited the Charles Darwin University site in his capacity as the Minister for Indigenous Affairs.

Minister Scullion met with the Vice Chancellor of Charles Darwin University, Professor Simon Maddocks on 3 December 2014 as part of a meeting with representatives from Innovative Research Universities.

Minister Scullion last visited the site of Charles Darwin University in April 2013 for the opening of the Australian Centre for Indigenous Knowledge.