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Senator Payne asked:

Can you inform the committee of any further land tenure progress you expect to be made in the future, and how you are factoring this into staffing?

Answer:

State and territory governments have made progress on reforming arrangements for Indigenous held land. For example, cadastral surveys are being completed in the Northern Territory and Queensland, supported by Australian Government funding, that will enable individual land interests that are necessary to creating economic development and home ownership opportunities.

The Australian Government is encouraging further reforms, including to facilitate economic development and home ownership opportunities. This includes reforms to community living area land in the Northern Territory.

Current staffing resource estimates are premised on the basis of current and anticipated land tenure reforms.