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Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice

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Department of Communications

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Topic: Convergence Review and Deregulation

Senator Ludlam asked:

Whether cross-media ownership laws are in the table as part of your deregulation agenda.

Answer:

The Government has not made any decisions at this stage in relation to wholesale reconsideration of cross media ownership laws. However, the Government recognises that real reform will only be achieved through careful examination and consideration of a vast range of complex policy issues across the portfolio. This may include cross-media ownership laws.