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TOPIC: Square Kilometre Array

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QUESTION No. BI-18

If Australia were to host the SKA telescope, what role would CSIRO play given their current debilitated state? Will they get an exemption from the 2% efficiency dividend if they did?

ANSWER

The role that CSIRO might play in relation to the SKA telescope will depend on international inter-governmental negotiations that are expected to determine the detailed nature of the SKA project in around 2012.