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SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2004-2005 ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: 3

Output Group: 3.2 – Assistance for Science Collaboration and Innovation

DEST Question No. E759_05

Senator Crossin asked on 16 February 2005, EWRE Hansard page 55.

Question:

When did DEST become aware of the decision announced by the Minister on 25 January to rule out a primary site on mainland Australia or Tasmania?

Answer:

Announced decision of 24 January

Rather than announcing a decision, the Minister's comments of 24 January 2005 expressed a preference for a location on a Commonwealth offshore territory, while indicating that Commonwealth land in mainland Australia was also under consideration.