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- a) **Following the release of the Draft Productivity Commission Report into Gambling in Australia last year, on what dates did the COAG Reform Council meet to discuss the Commission's key recommendations? What was the outcome of these meetings?**
- b) **What plans are in place to implement these recommendations, and which recommendations does the Council intend to implement?**
- c) **What other plans does the Council have in place to deal with the serious issue of problem gambling in Australia?**

Answer: The COAG Reform Council is a monitoring and reporting body established by COAG. The council's role is to report to COAG on matters referred to it by COAG. The council role is described on its website at <http://www.coag.gov.au/crc/index.cfm>. The council has not received a reference from COAG on gambling and has no role in relation to the Productivity Commission's report.