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Senator: Ludlam

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Question:

Mr Tune—...There is a booking system that is used, and that records the savings in dollars from flights to meetings avoided and also does a calculation of CO2 emissions that have been avoided. We can provide that to you. That is collected on a regular basis.

Senator LUDLAM—Yes, I would appreciate that

Answer:

There were 557 meetings conducted using the National TelePresence System, for the period October 2009 to February 2011. The estimated costs savings for these meetings is \$3,673,508 and 720,866kg of CO2 emissions avoided.