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Senator JACINTA COLLINS-And, other than the one that Senator Ronaldson was talking about last week, has the federal member attended all of the previous ones?

Mr Mrdak-That is my understanding. I think the federal member has attended. I will just check that.

Answer: There have been eleven Community Cabinet meetings before the meeting held in Emerald, Victoria. Federal Members of Parliament are not asked to register to attend, but the recollection of Community Cabinet Secretariat staff is that the local member attended nine of those eleven meetings.