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Senator RONALDSON-I think Minister Macklin is the Commonwealth representative on this ministerial group, isn't she?

Ms Cross-I believe she is one of the Commonwealth representatives?

Senator RONALDSON-Who else is there?

Ms Cross-I would need to get some further information to answer your questions in detail.

Answer:

Minister Macklin was the Chair of the Commonwealth Victorian Bushfires Taskforce with membership including a range of senior Commonwealth Ministers as well as senior officials from relevant Commonwealth departments.

The Victorian Bushfire Reconstruction and Recovery Authority is not a ministerial group and does not have Commonwealth ministerial representation.