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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Senator Faulkner asked: - So what are you going to do? Are you going to put that out to tender or is Mr Howard going to do drawings on the dining room table at Kirribilli House? How is it going to work?

Mr Henderson - We are engaging people to assist us in developing options.

Senator Faulkner - Which people are you engaging?

Mr Henderson - I do not have the name of the company.

Senator Faulkner - What is the role of the company?

Mr Henderson - I think we are at the point where they are considering design options, Do you want to know exactly where we are up to? I would have to take that on notice.

Answer: The process of engaging suppliers to provide items of national dress has not yet been finalised. The Taskforce has identified potential suppliers who have been approached and offers are currently being assessed in accordance with the Commonwealth Procurement Guidelines (January 2005).