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Senator RYAN-Senator Ludwig: I would appreciate you saying-again, in your own capacity and representing the Prime Minister-whether [or] not you, your office or his office notify state governments and state members of parliament of upcoming community cabinet meetings and, if so, to whom that notice is provided. I would be interested in knowing to which state members of parliament or state governments such community cabinet notice was provided.

Senator Ludwig-I will see what I can find out and take that on notice.

Answer:

The Cabinet Secretary's Office has advised that relevant State and Territory Governments are advised of the dates and locations of upcoming Community Cabinet meetings in order to assist the Cabinet Secretariat with identifying suitable venues, such as schools, for holding these meetings.