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How many times have members of the Inspectorate formally met with the Secretariat?

Answer:

Eight formal meetings have been held since the Reconstruction Inspectorate was established. In addition, there have been further meetings with the Inspectorate and state government authorities, which are attended by the Secretariat. The Inspectorate and the Secretariat also speak on a regular basis.

The Secretariat has accompanied members of the Inspectorate on six visits to flood and cyclone damage areas.

Minutes from formal Inspectorate meetings are available on the Reconstruction Inspectorate website: www.reconstructioninspectorate.gov.au/publications.aspx.