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Senator PARRY- I have got questions which may need to be taken on notice; in fact, I am sure they will be. In response to cabinet formally considering the National Broadband Network policy on 7 April 2009:

- [a] firstly, could advice be given to this committee as to the commencement time of that cabinet meeting;
- [b] secondly, what was the duration of that cabinet meeting; and,
- [c] thirdly, who was present at that cabinet meeting?

Dr Grimes-We would have to take those sorts of details on notice.

Answer:

- (a) & (b) The meeting commenced at about 7am and concluded that afternoon.
- (c) The Cabinet meeting was attended by Ministers.

The Strategic Priorities and Budget Committee of Cabinet considered the NBN policy on a number of occasions between 29 January and 6 April 2009.