

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

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Question No. 41

Senator Barnett asked the following question at the hearing on 19 October 2009:

Can the Committee be provided with the dates, location and a list of attendees for each of the meetings of the Commonwealth State and Territory Compliance and Enforcement Working Party since its establishment?

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

The Compliance and Enforcement Working Party (CEWP) held its first meeting by teleconference on 8 May 2009. The CEWP is chaired by the Commonwealth Attorney-General's Department. The CEWP includes representatives from New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, Western Australia, South Australia, Tasmania and the Australian Capital Territory. The first meeting was attended by all members except Western Australia and the Australian Capital Territory.

On 7 July 2009, the CEWP met by teleconference. All members attended.

On 18 August 2009, the CEWP met by teleconference. All members attended except New South Wales.

On 8 October 2009, the CEWP met in person in Sydney with some attendees participating by teleconference. All members attended. In addition, a representative from the Northern Territory attended as an observer.

State and Territory representatives were from the New South Wales Department of Justice and Attorney General, the Victorian Department of Justice, the Queensland Department of Justice and Attorney-General, the West Australian Department of the Attorney General, the South Australian Attorney-General's Department, the Tasmanian Department of Justice, the Australian Capital Territory Department of Justice and Community Safety and the Northern Territory Department of Justice.