Senate Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee Australian's Engagement in Afghanistan – 15 November 2021 Answers to questions on notice from the Veterans' Affairs portfolio

Question 4

Outcome: All Program: All

Topic: Afghanistan - Cost to DVA

(Written Question on Notice)

Senator Kimberley Kitching asked:

What has been the cost to DVA as a result of the Australia's engagement in Afghanistan and what are the projected future costs?

Answer

The Department of Veterans' Affairs has not calculated the past or projected future costs of Australia's engagement in Afghanistan. Given the broad nature of the question, providing a response would substantially and unreasonably divert departmental resources from its other operations.