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Question No: SQ15-000218

Topic: National Framework for Protecting Australia's Children

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Senator Brown asked:

In respect of the development of the Third Action Plan under the National Framework for Protecting Australia's Children.

- a. Have consultations commenced?
- b. What is the process for consultations?
- c. Will there be a public consultation process to inform the Action Plan?
- d. What is the timeline for the development of the Third Action Plan?

Answer:

- a. Consultations on the development of the Third Action Plan under the National Framework for Protecting Australia's Children (the Third Action Plan) commenced on 23 March 2015.
- b. The National Forum for Protecting Australia's Children, comprised of members from the Commonwealth Government, state and territory governments and the Coalition of Organisations Committed to the Safety and Wellbeing of Australia's Children (the NGO Coalition), is convening a series of roundtable consultations to take place throughout March and April 2015.
- c. Roundtable consultations are being held in all states and territories with key stakeholders.
- d. The development of the Third Action Plan will occur over the next six months.