Senate Community Affairs Committee

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Senator: Watt, Murray

Question:

Can I also ask a couple of questions specifically about Darwin and the PET scanner issue there. I think in the last estimates my colleague Senator Polley asked about the PET scanner and cyclotron that had been promised to Darwin. Mr Bowles, I think that you said that that was a matter for infrastructure department. But health must have some role in that decision, mustn't it?

Mr Bowles: It was an election commitment.

Mr Quinane: The funding is coming through the infrastructure department, but our colleagues at outcome 7 today will be able to provide you with an update on that.

Senator WATT: You do not know the answer yourself?

Mr Quinane: No, I do not, Senator.

Answer:

The Darwin Pet Scanner 2016 election commitment is being funded and implemented through the Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development (DIRD).

Any questions about the project should be referred to DIRD.