

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

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**Senator:** Smith, Dean

**Question:**

Senator SMITH: The first meeting of the GAP task force on hospital funding was when, what date?

Mr Bowles: I would have to take that on notice, but it was—

Senator SMITH: That is a bit disappointing because—

Mr Bowles: 2016.

Senator SMITH: Most of us read the clips at 2 am et cetera.

Mr Bowles: It was some time in 2016. I do not have all the dates.

Senator SMITH: There are 12 months, 365 days.

Mr Bowles: Yes, I understand that.

Senator SMITH: Just to assist me, early or late 2016?

Mr Bowles: There probably would have been one earlier in the year. It probably only met every four or five months; I cannot recall. There have not been that many meetings. If the second one was in December of last year, the first one might have been six months before that. I would have to take that on notice.

**Answer:**

The first meeting was held on 9 June 2016.