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Senator: Watt, Murray

Question:

Mr Bowles: Senator, can I finish? At that particular meeting, I made a statement up-front as a participant that said: this is not Commonwealth government policy.

Senator WATT: Which meeting did you do that at?

Mr Bowles: I cannot remember; I will have to think about that one.

Senator WATT: You were not at that most recent meeting, I think you said, Mr Bowles.

Mr Cormack: Can I just clarify the second meeting?

Answer:

Mr Bowles attended the second meeting held on 14 December 2016. At that time he advised that the Commonwealth Hospital Benefit was not government policy and was not under active consideration.