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Senator Rhiannon asked:

In May this year I was advised that the Nominators for the Parramatta Female Factory to the National Heritage List accepted the invitation to have the nomination reconsidered in the next round of applications.

- a. What are the key dates for the next round of nominations?
- b. What feedback has been provided to the nominators about how the nomination met or did not meet the criteria?

Answer:

- a. Dates associated with the next nomination round have not yet been finalised. The nomination round will be publicly announced in the press and on the Department's website.
- b. In 2013, the Department advised the nominators of the reasons that the place was not included in the Australian Heritage Council's work plan for assessment, including that on "...the basis of the information in the nomination, it is uncertain whether the place would meet any of the national heritage criteria. A study of the thematic context is required to better understand the place".

A thematic study relevant to the assessment of this place has now been completed. The study improves the capacity of the Australian Heritage Council to assess these types of places.

The Department has also emailed the nominators to advise that the nomination remains eligible for consideration in the next round.