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Topic: ABC Transcription services - reduction

Senator Carr, Kim asked:

Mr Millett: In relation to transcription services the ABC has reduced its transcription on some programs and changed the production of time at which they are actually made available for other programs.

Senator KIM CARR: Perhaps you could tell me what exactly you have decided to do. **Mr Millett:** I will take that on notice.

Answer:

In August 2016 the ABC News division changed the transcription production schedule for its television and radio current affairs programs.

ABC News will continue to produce full program transcripts for 7.30, *Lateline, Four Corners Q&A, Foreign Correspondent* and *Australian Story*. Transcripts for 7.30 and *Lateline* will be published on the morning following the program, in alignment with the production schedules for other ABC television current affairs programs.

ABC News will produce a transcript for the key interviews or stories from each episode of *AM*, *PM*, *The World Today*, *Correspondents Report* and *Insiders*.

Audio and video packages for all stories and interviews from each of these programs are available on the program website.