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Question: SBT 62

Topic: National Housing Supply Council State of Supply Report

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Senator LUDLAM asked:

62. Senator LUDLAM: I will keep it simple. Will the 2013 National Housing Supply Council status supply report—in my office, and I believe within government and opposition, these reports are quite well used. The council was on the point of releasing the 2013 edition; will that still go ahead? What happens to that research and data, because it is going to go cold.

Ms Croke: There are three chapters that have been drafted, and they will become available on the Treasury website.

Senator LUDLAM: When?

Ms Croke: Within the next couple of weeks.

Senator LUDLAM: At least I commend that if something good comes out of the wreckage.

How many chapters was the report meant to contain if it had been completed?

Ms Croke: I am not sure; I would have to take that on notice.

Answer:

62. At their meeting in March 2013, the National Housing Supply Council decided to release the 2013 State of Supply Report in stages.

The first stage of the report is three chapters – which were completed prior to the Council's abolition. Later stages of the report would likely have included similar content to the *State of Supply Report 2011*.