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Senator: Faulkner

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Question:

Senator FAULKNER: Yes, but as Mr Sheridan said, it is an accurate and precise descriptor of what occurred. When was the OGP informed that Australia's status at the regional summit would be observer status?

Mr Sheridan: I would have to check exactly when it was. It would be at the same time as I was informed, very shortly after that. We were in contact with the OGP secretariat and informed them as soon as we knew.

Answer:

The Department of Finance notified the Open Government Partnership Chair Secretariat that Mr Sheridan would attend on the Government's behalf in an observer capacity on Friday, 11 April 2014.