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Question:

Senator GALLAGHER: of paid leave. Again, was this with the cap in place by this time? I cannot recall.

Ms Cross: Certainly, when we started the negotiations it was 150,000. I cannot recall the change to 100,000. It probably happened during the course of the negotiations, but I would have to check.

Answer:

On 30 April 2014, in a press conference in Geelong, Victoria, the Prime Minister announced "some days ago the ERC decided that the cap for the paid parental leave scheme would be reduced to incomes of \$100,000 a year".