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Question:

Senator FAULKNER: I can ask the Australian Public Service Commissioner later today. Let me ask the process question—not of the content of the consultation, but the nature—if either Ms Cross or Ms Kelly are not able to say—you are nodding, so I assume you are not able to say. What was the nature of the consultation as opposed to the content of the Australian Public Service Commissioner's consultation. In other words, how was the consultation conducted?

Ms Kelly: I do not know the answer to that question.

Senator FAULKNER: Would you take that on notice?

Ms Kelly: Yes.

Answer:

The consultation took place through a number of conversations and meetings.