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Senator: McKenzie

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Question:

Senator McKENZIE: Ms Halton or Minister, on the efficient use of taxpayer dollars, do you have a comparative cost between a square metre of office space in, say, Canberra versus a square metre of office space in Bendigo?

Senator Cormann: I would have to take that on notice ...

Answer:

Based on Commonwealth office property data submitted by agencies to the Department of Finance as at 30 September 2014, the average cost of renting Commonwealth office space in Canberra was \$426.00 per square metre and in Bendigo it was \$289.00 per square metre.