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Question:

Mr Matthews: With the QTBs that we had done around the time—the first one was October, then subsequently in November and into March next year—it is possible that it would have been picked up in the media scanning we have done and updated in one of the QTBs, possibly. Without seeing the exact article, I do not know. I would have to go back and check.

Answer:

The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet was aware of an article written by Kate Wild, published by the ABC on 13 November 2015, *'NT prisons 'aren't necessarily pleasant places', Minister says as human rights lawyer condemns hooding of 17yo detainee'*. The article was not included in Question Time Briefs provided to the Minister.