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SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2006-2007 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: 3

Output Group: 3.2 – Assistance for collaboration and innovation

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Senator Stott Despoja provided in writing.

Question:

The Government has flagged in establishing an investigation into nuclear energy and associated issues. Has there been any progress in the development of such an investigation?

Who would oversee such an inquiry? How would the members of such an inquiry be determined?

Answer:

Nuclear Energy

On 6 June 2006, the Prime Minister announced the establishment of a Prime Ministerial Taskforce to undertake a Review of Uranium Mining Processing and Nuclear Energy in Australia, supported by a whole-of-government secretariat based in the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet.