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Senator Fifield asked: Senator FIFIELD - That is fine. One more to be placed on notice, if I could: which building in Sydney is currently being rented for the purpose of the COAG Reform Council?

Senator Faulkner - That one we may be able to help you on out of corporate services. We will see if we can find that. If we move to other questions, we will come back to you.

Senator FIFIELD - And just additional questions for taking on notice: how long has that premises been rented and has it yet been occupied by any staff?

Answer: The office space currently being leased for the COAG Reform Council is part of the floor space on Level 8, 6 O'Connell Street, Sydney. This lease started on 1 December 2007 and ends on 30 November 2010. The office has been occupied by staff since the completion of the office fitout on 13 February 2008. Rental costs are paid 50:50 by the Commonwealth and the State and Territory governments.