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Question:

Mr Ludlam stated at Estimates hearings that ASC is planning the FCD such that it takes two and a half years, as opposed to three years. What impact will this have on the budgeted total Full Cycle Docking cost in comparison to the actual cost of HMAS Sheean's and HMAS Rankin's refit?

Answer:

With a decrease in time to complete future Full Cycle Dockings (FCDs) in line with recommendations contained in the *Study into the Business of Sustaining Australia's Strategic Collins Class Submarine Capability* (the Coles Review), for a 2½ year FCD, it is expected that the cost impact will reduce in comparison to HMAS Sheean's and HMAS Rankin's FCDs based on a reduction in time related costs.