

Estimates Committee 2016 Questions Taken On Notice

(14/06/2016 to 23/06/2016)

Date: 16/06/2016 Output: Arts and Culture
Sub Output: Scientific and Cultural Collections

Subject: Impact of cuts to National Library budget

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Question: Recently the federal government has made budget cuts to the National Library and its Trove digitalising project. How does NT Library's work intersect with the work of Trove, and how will changes to that situation affect our Northern Territory content in the National Archive?

Answer: The answer to the question on notice 5.13 – the information the Northern Territory Library put into their catalogues about collections automatically gets uploaded into Trove so it is discoverable through the Trove interface. NT Library has a strong working relationship with the national library through the libraries Australasian group. The cuts to Trove do not affect the NT Library's capacity to make its collection available through Trove. They will have a bigger impact on the capacity of smaller museums and societies, etcetera, to contribute their collections.

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