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National Women's Round Table

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Summary

The National Women's Round Table is an annual meeting convened by the Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for the Status of Women. The Round Table was first held in 1994. It replaced the National Women's Consultative Council as the primary direct mechanism for women's input into government. For the first three years, the Round Table was held twice each year for one day, with just over 50 organisations represented. Meetings were held in Parliament House during sitting weeks to facilitate participants' access to Parliamentarians.

In 1997, the Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for the Status of Women, Jocelyn Newman, changed the arrangements to two day meetings, once each year.

Sources: <http://www.capow.org.au/AWOC/story.htm> and <http://www.nwjc.org.au/pamelaslist.htm>

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