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Dear Mr Watling

### **Joint Select Committee on Australia's Immigration Detention Network**

The following information was requested during my submission to the Joint Select Committee on Australia's Immigration Detention Network held in Adelaide on 15 November 2011.

I provide the following information in response to the queries highlighted in italics.

*In the last 12 months, how many times have police been called to instances in the general township of Woodside?*

**Ms Killmier:** *I have not got that information. I could probably find that for you but I have not got it at hand.*

**Senator CROSSIN:** *It would be useful. Could you take that on notice and let us know how many times police have been called to domestic violence instances in Woodside or any other areas there.*

**Ms Killmier:** *They police not just Woodside but a wider country area as well. So it would have to be for that area that they police.*

**Senator CROSSIN:** *All right.*

#### **ACTING CHAIR:**

**Ms Killmier:** *They do, but if, say, the patrols were tied up, then another local service area would move their resources across to backfill. So it is not as simple as their doing all the jobs, because they actually do not. There might be a traffic patrol going through on their way to police the Dukes Highway or something else, and they might do a job on the way. We use resources from all over the place. I can give you the Woodside figures, but they might not give you an accurate picture of how many they attend or how many incidents there are. Mount Barker is a much bigger station. It is the headquarters station. So there are more patrols there that come out and help Woodside as well.*

**Senator CROSSIN:** *A general indication would be useful. So, of those 13 instances, you are telling us that there were no arrests following those?*

**Ms Killmier:** *There were no arrests by us*

**Senator CROSSIN:** *How many would you have referred to the AFP?*

**Ms Killmier:** *I do not have that information listed here; I will get it for you—exactly how many were referred to the Australian Federal Police*



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For information relating to those incidents referred to the AFP, see table below.

## **WOODSIDE**

For the purpose of this report, we have compared 11 months prior to the establishment of the Detention Centre to the 11 months after.

### **Police Incident Reports**

- Offences occurring within the Woodside Police District (including Lobethal, Birdwood, Oakbank etc) decreased from 234 before to 205 after
- The only areas to have increased were Theft from Motor Vehicle and Serious Criminal Trespass (residence)
- Rape, Other Sex Offences and Assaults have all decreased
- Of these offences, the number being submitted by Woodside police has decreased and the number taken by the Call Centre has decreased but the number taken by Mount Barker (the major patrol base) has increased

Offences occurring in the suburb of Woodside have also decreased.

The only offence type that has increased in the suburb of Woodside is "Other Public Order Offences".

### **Apprehension Reports**

Officers from Woodside Police Station have submitted more apprehension reports since the establishment of the Detention Centre than before.

In contrast, Mount Barker Criminal Investigation Branch and Mount Barker Police Station have submitted significantly less since the Centre has been established.

### **Patrol Taskings**

In the last 12 months (1/11/10 to 31/10/11) in the Woodside Patrol Area records show a total of 957 taskings;

- 862 required a patrol response
- 34 were traffic camera set ups, leaving a total of 828
- Woodside Patrol members attended 322 of these taskings
- 228 were in Woodside (the town) and Woodside patrol members attended 100 of these
- 11 taskings had a domestic coding
- 5 of those domestics were actually in Woodside (the town) of which 2 were attended by Woodside Patrol members

Some of the other patrols who responded to taskings within the Woodside Patrol Area included Mount Barker Patrols, Gumeracha Patrols, Eastern Adelaide Local Service Area Patrols and Strathalbyn Patrols.

*Just to follow-up on what was said before: as to the 13 incidents you have been called to Inverbrackie over, have you got a breakdown of what those matters were?*

	<b>Date / Time</b>	<b>TASKING</b>
1	24/12/2010 16:17	Fire investigation – BBQ smoke, no action required
2	26/12/2010 17:14	Allegation of assault (detainee v detainee) – handled by SERCO
	30/12/2010 9:44	Patrol Enquiry – self initiated, not tasked
3	31/12/2010 20:26	Allegation of assault (detainee v detainee) – handled by SERCO
4	13/02/2011 20:21	Allegation of assault (detainee v detainee) and self-harm – handled by SERCO
5	16/02/2011 20:02	Kitchen fire – no action required
6	18/02/2011 14:03	Allegation of assault (detainee v detainee) – SERCO to undertake mediation process
7	22/02/2011 13:00	Passive sit-in inside centre – no action required
8	28/02/2011 11:58	Single person protest activity – no police action
9	3/03/2011 18:15	Disturbance between detainees – handled by SERCO
10	4/03/2011 14:47	Single person protest activity – liaison with security, handled by SERCO
11	5/03/2011 16:16	Single person protest activity – tasking cancelled
12	11/03/2011 21:44	Potential disturbance – handled by SERCO
13	13/04/2011 13:51	Allegation of assault (by detainee on Serco staff) – referred to AFP
14	25/04/2011 14:05	Allegation of assault (detainee v detainee) – referred to AFP
15	25/04/2011 15:11	Allegation of assault (detainee v detainee) – referred to AFP
16	22/08/2011 13:52	Potentially violent disturbance (detainee family towards staff) - handled by SERCO
	19/10/2011 17:27	Media disturbance – did not attend, SERCO to monitor
17	20/10/2011 11:19	Media disturbance - handled by SERCO, police media advised
	30/10/2011 20:01	Patrol Enquiry– self initiated, not tasked

The amount of times police have attended (17) was amended in my previous submission.

**Mr BRIGGS:** *You talk about resources. Just following up from Senator Crossin's question, I think it would be worthwhile if, when you supply the information about the Woodside and Mount Barker service areas, you also say what population they service, if we are going to compare apples with apples.*

Latest estimated resident population by Statistical Local Area (next level down from Local Government Area as at 30/6/2010 ABS Catalogue 3218.0 31 March 2011).

	<b>PERSONS</b>
Adelaide Hills Council – North	7,058 approximately Gumeracha Police Station District
Adelaide Hills Council – Balance	9,303 approximately Woodside Police Station District
Mount Barker Council – Central	21,373
Mount Barker Council – Balance	9,167

Adelaide Hills Council – Central	13,177 includes Bridgwater, Stirling, Aldgate, Crafers etc
Adelaide Hills Council - Ranges	10,534
Mount Barker Police Station District (approx)	54, 251

### **Crime Management Unit**

Population of Mount Barker Crime Management Unit (Woodside, Gumeracha, Strathalbyn and Mount Barker Police Station Districts) is 81,248 persons (69% of Local Service Area).

2,740 square kms

Population of Victor Harbor Crime Management Unit (Goolwa, Victor Harbor, Normanville and Kangaroo Island Police Station Districts) is 36,525 persons (31.0% of Local Service Area).

6,012 square kms

### **Local Service Area**

Hills Fleurieu Local Service Area - 117,773 (7.2% of State)  
Area in square kms - 8,752

Yours sincerely

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