

**Question on notice no. 33**

**Portfolio question number: SQ24-000029**

**2023-24 Additional estimates**

**Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee, Infrastructure,  
Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts Portfolio**

**Senator Bridget McKenzie:** asked the Airservices Australia on 12 February 2024—

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**Answer —**

Please find answer attached

**Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport**

**QUESTION ON NOTICE**

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**Division/Agency Name: Agency - Airservices Australia**

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**Answer:**

In 2023 Airservices accepted (endorsed) 33 trainees to commence operations as air traffic controllers.