

**SUBMISSION NO. 2**  
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Dear Andrew

I write to respond to a question from the Committee received by the Attorney-General's Department on 29 October 2012, following the hearing on the Australia-Vietnam Extradition Treaty.

**Question:**

1. Is Australia currently negotiating any other extradition treaties?
  - a. If so, with whom? and
  - b. When can they be expected to be finalised?

**Attorney-General's Department response:**

Australia follows the international practice that a bilateral treaty remains confidential to the parties until it is signed. This is a longstanding policy of successive Australian Governments. The Attorney-Generals' Department is therefore unable to provide the requested details of any extradition treaties currently under negotiation.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if the Committee has any other questions concerning the proposed extradition treaty with Vietnam.

Kind regards,  
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