

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
—Additional Estimates Hearing—February 2016**

Answers to Questions on Notice

Parliamentary departments, Department of Parliamentary Services

Topic: **Security clearance**
Question: **161**
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Date set by the committee for the return of answer: 1 April 2016

CHAIR: One of the answers to questions on notice was that Mr Georgiou already possessed an active and current security clearance. I would ask you to take on notice: who issued that security clearance and when was it issued.

Ms Croke: We can do that.

Answer

DPS did not sponsor Mr Georgiou's clearance. At the time he undertook the review, DPS confirmed that he held an appropriate level of security clearance. Further information regarding the sponsoring agency and the grant date will only be available from the Australian Government Security Vetting Agency in the Department of Defence.