Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

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Senator: Xenophon

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Question:

For instance, is it the case that Witness K still does not have his passport returned? Is that the case?

Answer:

OIGIS has consulted the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) who has responsibility for this matter. DFAT has advised:

Witness K's passport has been cancelled. Once a passport has been cancelled, its status cannot be changed and a cancelled passport cannot be used again. The cancelled passport remains the property of the Commonwealth.