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Senator: Smith

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Question:

Senator SMITH: Mr Rogers, in October last year the AEC referred 28 people to the Federal Police for a further investigation in relation to people's enrolment in the federal electorate of Indi in 2013. That is true, isn't it?

Mr Rogers: We certainly sent a number of electors to the AFP; that is correct. I think the number was 28, from memory. Yes, it was 28.

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Senator SMITH: How many of the new enrolees in the electorate in 2013 were examined? **Mr Rogers:** I would have to take the exact figure on notice from you. We went through a process.

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Senator SMITH: What was the period of time?

Mr Gately: I do not have that information in front of me. I will have to take that on notice as well.

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Senator SMITH: ... I just want to be very clear that at the moment you cannot give me even an indicative number of the new enrollees that were examined in Indi in 2013.

Mr Rogers: I cannot. I will come back and give you that figure.

Answer:

The AEC's analysis covered all enrolments which were new to Indi in the period 1 January 2013 to 12 August 2013 and remained on the roll for the federal election.

In total 5,908 enrolments were examined in Indi (which included 1,279 new enrolments and 4,629 changes).