

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE

Question No. AE16/042

Senator Ludlam asked the following question at the hearing on 9 February 2016:

Senator LUDLAM: You have taken a fair number of matters on notice so I might leave it there. I am just going to put one—it is probably going to seem a bit left field—on another matter and then I will let you go. Could confirm for us, whether or not you have received a complaint in relation to a Mr Nick Ross, former employee, tech journalist with the ABC, regarding the recording of a conversation without disclosing it to the other participant of the conversation, which has hit the media over the last couple of weeks.

Mr Colvin: Senator, the allegation does not ring any bells with me. Looking back, none of my officers-

Senator LUDLAM: Are looking genuinely mystified. Do you want to take that one on notice and if you can just confirm either way.

Mr Colvin: We will check. Was the name Nick Ross, did you say?

Senator LUDLAM: Nick Ross. R-O-S-S. Thanks for your time. Thanks Chair.

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

The AFP has not received a referral in relation to this matter.