

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
BUDGET ESTIMATES 2017

Australian Federal Police

Question No. BE17-067

Senator McKim asked the following question on 25 May 2017:

Senator McKIM: During my last line of questioning—this is back onto the death penalty issue, Commissioner. I think Deputy Commissioner Close—in fact she did provide how many requests had been granted in both of the two categories: the ones that are dealt with internally and also the ones that went up to the minister. Do you also have figures on how many were refused?

Mr Colvin: Leanne may just check the records but, in terms of matters that we have put to the minister for his approval since 2013: four requests in 2013, four were approved; nine in 2014, nine were approved; 11 in 2015, 11 were approved; and there have been none in 2016 and none in 2017.

Senator McKIM: Okay, but I am asking about refusals—where it was put up, and the minister has knocked it back?

Mr Colvin: They have all been approved.

Senator McKIM: They have all been approved? And what about the internal ones?

Ms Close: I do not have that figure with me, so I can take that on notice for you.

The response to the honourable Senator's question is as follows:

YEAR	TOTAL NOT APPROVED
2010 (18/12/09 – 31/12/10)	13
2011	6
2012	12
2013	3
2014	2
2015	6
2016	2
2017	2