QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 22 May 2017

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(BE17/058) - Manus Good Friday Incident - Provision of footage to Andrew Bolt - Programme 1.5: IMA Offshore Management

Senator Pratt, Louise (L&CA 123) asked:

Senator PRATT: Are you aware of how Andrew Bolt came to view that footage if it has not been released to the public?

Mr Quaedvlieg: No, I am not.

Senator PRATT: Who have you given copies of that footage to?

Mr Quaedvlieg: I do not know if I can answer that—

Senator PRATT: Have you provided a copy to the minister?

Mr Quaedvlieg: The minister's office has certainly received a copy of the footage, yes. Senator PRATT: Was it the minister's office that provided the footage to Andrew Bolt?

Mr Quaedvlieg: I do not know.

Senator PRATT: Perhaps someone might take that on notice? I can put that on notice to the minister directly.

Answer:

The Department is not aware of any disclosure of CCTV footage from the incident on Manus Island on Good Friday.