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Senator Xenophon asked the following written question from the hearing on 20 October 2015:

- 1. How many extradition requests has the Australian Government received from the Indonesian Government in the past year?
- 2. How many people have we extradited to Indonesia in the past year?
- 3. How many people have we refused to extradite to Indonesia in the past year?
- 4. How many extradition requests has the Australian Government made to the Indonesian Government in the past year?
- 5. How many people has Indonesia extradited to Australia in the past year?
- 6. How many people has Indonesia refused to extradite to Australia in the past year?

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

- 1. As a matter of longstanding practice the Australian Government does not disclose whether it has received an extradition request until the person is arrested or brought before a court.
- 2. Australia has not extradited any persons to Indonesia in the past year (period of 1 October 2014 to 19 November 2015).
- 3. As a matter of practice, the Australian Government does not provide country specific information about extradition refusals. However, the AGD Annual Report does provide aggregate annual figures of extradition refusals.
- 4. As a matter of long standing practice the Australian Government does not comment publicly on extradition matters, including whether it has made, or intends to make, an extradition request to a foreign country until the person is arrested or brought before a court in a foreign country pursuant to that request. One arrest has occurred in Indonesia in the period of 1 October 2014 to 19 November 2015 pursuant to an Australian extradition request made in that same period.
- 5. Indonesia has extradited one person to Australia in the past year (period of 1 October 2014 to 19 November 2015).
- 6. As a matter of practice, the Australian Government does not provide information about whether a country has refused to extradite a person to Australia.