# **Senate Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration**

## ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

#### **Human Services Portfolio**

Additional Estimates 2006-2007, 13th and 16th February, 2007

**Question: HS28** 

**Agency: Centrelink** 

Outcome 1, Output 1.1

**Topic: Private Investigators - locations** 

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### **SENATOR MOORE** asked on 16/02/2007:

Mr Whalan—It related to contracts for optical surveillance. Just briefly, we noted that there was a change. There is one provider fewer operating now. That is because a provider by the name of Maurice Kerrigan had previously been listed twice and now is listed just once. Each provider can operate nationally, but we tend to use them in the localities where they are based. It is a requirement that they can operate nationally.

**Senator MOORE**—At a later time, could you provide me with the information of where they are based?

Mr Whalan—Yes, I can.

**Senator MOORE**—That would be great.

## **ANSWER:**

The list of the optical surveillance providers currently used by Centrelink is provided in the response to HS14.

To prepare this answer it has taken approximately 1 hour at an estimated cost of \$63.