

SENATE LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS SERVICE

Question No. 126

Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 17 February 2006::

- a) Specify what objectionable publications were seized under Regulation 4A i.e. Child pornography, other prohibited material, bomb and weapon making material, etc.
- b) How many warrant actions to search for prohibited and restrictive goods were issued in 2002-03, 2003-04 and 2004-05?
- c) How many resulted in convictions and penalties?

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

- a) The types of Regulation 4A material accepted for further investigation are outlined in the table below:

Type of publication
Child pornography
Other pornography
Material depicting crime
Material depicting violence or revolting/abhorrent behaviour
Material that promotes or incites or instructs in matters of crime or violence
Material that promotes or incites the misuse of a drug specified in Schedule 4

- b)

Year	Number of search warrants
2002-03	273
2003-04	259
2004-05	247

- c) 402.