

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE

Question No. 60

Senator Barnett asked the following question at the hearing on 8 February 2010:

People Smuggling:

How many convictions have resulted from arrests made in:

- a) Indonesia (since September 2008)
- b) Malaysia (since 2 March 2009)
- c) Sri Lanka (since April 2009)?

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

a) - c)

The Australian Federal Police (AFP) does not provide reports on people smuggling related convictions made in Indonesian, Malaysian and Sri Lankan courts. The AFP is dependent upon the goodwill of foreign law enforcement agencies to provide information on disruptions and arrests and other people smuggling related activities. Disclaimers on the reporting of details of disruption activities are often placed by the AFP's partner agencies during the reporting of disruption statistics. It is for this reason that the AFP is not able to provide any further details of disruption activities and arrests.