

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS SERVICE

Question No. 49

Senator Abetz asked the following question at the hearing on 26 May 2008:

Did the Government seek any legal advice in relation to implications for Customs officers on the Oceanic Viking in having to provide potential evidence in matters relating to the Sea Shepherd activists in boarding Japanese vessels?

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

Customs did not seek specific legal advice in relation to implications for Customs officers on the Oceanic Viking in having to provide potential evidence in matters relating to the Sea Shepherd activists in boarding Japanese vessels.