

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS  
AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE

**Question No. 8**

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

- a) On what date did the AFP first provide advice to Government on the election commitment to increase the AFP by 500 officers?
- b) Please provide the dates of each subsequent iteration.

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

- a) On 6 December 2007, the AFP provided written advice to the Government as part of an overview brief on the AFP for the incoming Minister for Home Affairs.
- b) Subsequent advice was provided by the AFP to the Minister for Home Affairs on 26 February 2008.

Further advice was also provided to Government through the Attorney-General's Department as part of the 2008-09 Budget process on 11 December 2007, 3 March 2008, 12 March 2008 and 4 April 2008.