SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE

Question No. 57

Senator Brandis asked the following question at the hearing on 26 May 2009:

Was a document entitled 'Strategic forecast for transnational criminal trends and threats' prepared by officers of the AFP in relation to Indonesian people smuggling (in approximately September or October 2008)?

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

A classified document titled `Strategic Intelligence Forecast - Transnational criminal trends and threats to Australia' was being prepared within the timeframe of the Senator's question. This document included a component relating to people smuggling. The document was finalised on 27 March 2009 and subsequently disseminated internally within the Australian Federal Police and externally to a number of Australian Government agencies.