

SENATE LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S PORTFOLIO

Question No. 33

Senator Ludwig asked the following question on 2 December 2004:

How many incidents of loss (excluding theft, accident, breakage and vandalism) of departmental property were reported to the department in 2000-01, 2001-02, 2002-03, 2003-04? For each incident:

- a) What was the loss in each instance?
- b) What was the value of the loss?
- c) Which administrative unit lost the property?
- d) Were any of the lost item/s recovered?
- e) Was anyone disciplined over the loss?

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

The following agencies have advised a "Nil" or "Not Applicable" response, or that there were no incidents of loss reported during the years specified.

Administrative Appeals Tribunal

Australasian Centre for Policing Research

Australian Institute of Criminology/Criminology Research Council

Australian Institute of Police Management

Australian Law Reform Commission

Australian Security Intelligence Organisation

Copyright Tribunal

Defence Force Discipline Appeal Tribunal

Federal Police Disciplinary Tribunal

High Court of Australia

Office of the Federal Privacy Commissioner

Office of Film and Literature Classification

Office of Parliamentary Counsel

Responses from the Attorney-General's Department and remaining portfolio agencies are set out below.

Attorney-General's Department

See Attachment A.

Australian Crime Commission

See Attachment B.

Australian Customs Service

The information required to answer these questions is not readily available and would require a significant diversion of resources to provide the requested material.

Australian Federal Police

Data held on loss of departmental property is not in a format readily adaptable to the question and would consequently take an undue diversion of resources to prepare. On this basis it is not proposed to answer this question.

Australian Government Solicitor

Nil incidents in 2000-01; one incident in 2001-02; nil incidents in 2002-03; one incident in 2003-04.

Details of the incidents with respect to question parts a) - e) are provided in the table below.

Date of incident	a)	b)	c)	d)	e)
2001-02	Digital camera	\$1,000	AGS Sydney	No	No
2003-04	Video camera	\$2,700	AGS Corporate	No	No

Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre

Nil for all years except 2002-03 where the answers are:

- a) A laptop was lost by the agency.
- b) The original purchase price was \$4,195, the written down value at time of loss was \$0.
- c) The Reporting and Compliance Section of AUSTRAC.
- d) No

Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions

(a)-(e) There were 20 incidents of loss reported over the period from the administrative support area. The individual losses ranged from \$250 to \$4,800. No items were recovered and no employees were disciplined.

CrimTrac

There was one loss incident reported on 30 January 2003.

- a) An electronic data projector was lost from a Canberra-Sydney Qantas flight.
- b) The projector was valued at \$5,500.
- c) The office of the CEO.
- d) The item was not recovered, but \$1,600 liability was met by the airline.
- e) No disciplinary action was taken

Family Court of Australia

See Attachment C.

Federal Court of Australia

See Attachment D.

Federal Magistrates Court

2000-01: Nil

2001-02:

- a) 1 x Notebook computer
- b) \$5400
- c) Federal Magistrates Court associate
- d) No
- e) No

2002-03: Nil

2003-04: Nil

Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission

Year	a)	b)	c)	d)	e)
2000 – 2001	Nil				
2001 – 2002	2 x PC, 1 x modem 1 x desktop CD Rom/switch	\$8,764 \$2,349 \$3,301	IT Comp. Handling IT	No No No	No No No
2002 – 2004	Laptop	\$2,445	Public Affairs	No	No
2003 – 2004	Nil				

Insolvency and Trustee Service Australia

Insolvency and Trustee Service Australia (ITSA) records show no reported incidence of loss (excluding theft, accident, breakage and vandalism) of ITSA in the years 2000-01, 2001-02, and 2003-04.

There is one reported incidence of loss in 2002-03

- a) Item lost was a mobile phone;
- b) Value of lost property was approximately \$250;
- c) ITSA Perth;
- d) The lost item was not recovered; and
- e) No disciplinary action resulted from the loss of property.

National Native Title Tribunal

One incident of loss in July 2002:

- a) Mill Key
- b) \$30
- c) NNTT Principal Registry, Perth.
- d) No
- e) No

QON 33 – ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

There have been a cumulative total of twelve incidents of loss of departmental property in the years specified.

a) - e) Details are listed below:

In March 2000 a departmental laptop computer was reported lost. It was estimated to be valued at \$6856. The item was recovered. No disciplinary action was taken.

In January 2001 a desktop computer was reported lost. It was estimated to be valued at \$1650. The item was not recovered. No disciplinary action was taken.

In 2002 an InFocus Litepro projector was reported lost. It was estimated to be valued at \$1000. The item was not recovered. No disciplinary action was taken.

In July 2003 a departmental Palm Pilot PDA device was reported lost. It was estimated to be valued at \$550. The item was not recovered. No disciplinary action was taken.

In August 2003 a departmental Nokia mobile telephone was reported lost. Its purchase value was \$500. It was not recovered. No disciplinary action was taken.

In September 2003 a departmental mobile telephone was reported lost. The item was not recovered. No disciplinary action was taken. No other details are available.

In September 2003 a departmental Nokia 6310i mobile telephone was reported lost. Its purchase value was \$500. The item was not recovered. No disciplinary action was taken.

In September 2003 a departmental Nokia 8250 mobile telephone was reported lost. Its purchase value was \$500. The item was not recovered. No disciplinary action was taken.

In November 2003 a departmental Nokia 5110 mobile telephone was reported lost. Its purchase value was \$500. The item was not recovered. No disciplinary action was taken.

In November 2003 a departmental Nokia 6210 mobile telephone was reported lost. Its purchase value was \$480. The item was not recovered. No disciplinary action was taken.

In June 2004 a departmental Sony Litepro projector was reported lost. It was estimated to be valued at \$1500. The item was not recovered. No disciplinary action was taken.

In October 2004 a departmental Nokia 8250 mobile telephone was reported lost. Its purchase value was \$550. The item was not recovered. No disciplinary action was taken.

ATTACHMENT B

QON 33 – AUSTRALIAN CRIME COMMISSION

The Australian Crime Commission was created on 1 January 2003. The following answer also includes its predecessor agencies, the National Crime Authority and the Australian Bureau of Criminal Intelligence, prior to 1 January 2003.

Sydney*	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
2000-01	1 x radio	\$3,092	NCA	No	No
	4 x Mobile phones	\$1,554	NCA	No	Costs were recovered x 2
2001-02	*	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2002-03	*	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2003-04	*	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

*As part of the preparation of its 2003-04 accounts, the ACC conducted an exhaustive stocktake of assets, including assets transferred from the NCA. This stocktake identified a number of assets in the Sydney offices of the ACC which, while carrying some value in the accounts of the former NCA and the ACC, were unserviceable or had been disposed of in previous years. After due enquiry, these assets were written off in 2003-04 and 2004-05. While comprehensive lists of assets are maintained, the ACC is unable to advise which written off assets (many acquired over a decade ago) were subject to incidents of loss (excluding theft, accident, breakage and vandalism) in the period covered by the question apart from those listed.

Melbourne	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
2000-01	Camera	\$1,000	NCA	No	No
2001-02	Nil	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2002-03	Mobile phone	\$150	ACC	No	No
2003-04-	Mobile phone	\$100	ACC	No	No
2003-04	2 x radios	\$1,000	ACC	No	No

Brisbane, Adelaide, Perth & Canberra	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
2000-01	Nil	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2001-02	Nil	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2002-03	Nil	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2003-04	Nil	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

QON 33 – FAMILY COURT OF AUSTRALIA

2000-01

Records for the period where data is held is not in a format readily adaptable to the question and would consequently take an undue diversion of resources to prepare. On this basis it is not proposed to answer question 33 for the year in question.

2001-02

Records for the period where data is held is not in a format readily adaptable to the question and would consequently take an undue diversion of resources to prepare. On this basis it is not proposed to answer question 33 for the year in question.

2002-03

- a) Cash
- b) \$42.50
- c) Family Court of Australia
- d) No
- e) No

2003-04

- a) Cash
- b) \$118.90
- c) Family Court of Australia
- d) No
- e) No

QON 33 – FEDERAL COURT OF AUSTRALIA

The following table provides information on departmental property losses and outcomes over the years in question.

	(a) What was the loss	(b) What was the cost of loss	(c) Which Office was subjected to Loss	(d) Were any Lost Items Recovered	(e) Was anyone disciplined
2000-2001					
	Nil				
2001-2002					
	Nil				
2002-2003					
VIC	Nokia 6210 mobile telephone	\$99	Victoria	No	No
VIC	Nokia 6210 mobile telephone	\$99	Victoria	No	No
VIC	Nokia 6310 mobile telephone	\$249	Victoria	No	No
WA	Mobile Telephone	\$ 735.95	WA Registry	No	No
2003-2004					
VIC	Nokia 6100 mobile telephone	\$462.00	Victoria Registry	No	No
QLD	Mobile Telephone	\$ 840.15	Queensland Registry	No	No

SENATE LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S PORTFOLIO

Question No. 34

Senator Ludwig asked the following question on 2 December 2004:

How many vehicular accidents in which departmental vehicles (including vehicles leased by the department) were involved were reported to the department in 2000-01, 2001-02, 2002-03, 2003-04? For each incident:

- a) What was the value of the damage?
- b) Which administrative unit was the vehicle attached to?
- c) Was anyone charged over the accident (specify charges)?

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

The following agencies have advised that there were no vehicular accidents for the years in question, or that the question is not applicable to the organisation.

Australasian Centre for Policing Research

Australian Institute of Criminology/Criminology Research Council

Australian Institute of Police Management

Copyright Tribunal

CrimTrac

Defence Force Discipline Appeal Tribunal

Federal Police Disciplinary Tribunal

Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission

Office of the Federal Privacy Commissioner

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Australian Crime Commission

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Australian Customs Service

See Attachment D.

Australian Federal Police

See Attachment E.

Australian Government Solicitor

a) - c). There were no major accidents involving vehicles leased by AGS in 2000–01, 2001–02, 2002–03 or 2003–04 where the value of the damage exceeded \$5,000. During this period, there were numerous incidents which resulted in relatively minor damage to AGS leased vehicles. In these cases, AGS was invoiced for the insurance excess but was usually not informed of the actual value of the damage. AGS is not aware whether charges were laid against any persons with respect to any of these incidents.

Australian Law Reform Commission

One vehicle leased by the ALRC was involved in a minor accident in 2001–02. The value of damage was \$747.02 (including GST). No persons were charged.

Australian Security Intelligence Organisation

See Attachment F.

Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre

See Attachment G.

Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions

See Attachment H.

Family Court of Australia

See Attachment I.

Federal Court of Australia

See Attachment J.

Federal Magistrates Court

See Attachment K.

High Court of Australia

See Attachment L.

Insolvency and Trustee Service Australia

See Attachment M.

National Native Title Tribunal

See Attachment N.

Office of Film and Literature Classification

There was one vehicular accident in November of 2002–03.

- a) Not known. Paid by lessor's insurer.
- b) Executive
- c) No.

Office of Parliamentary Counsel

See Attachment O.

ATTACHMENT A

QON 34 – ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

Financial year	2000–01	2001–02	2002–03	2003–04
No of accidents	7	25	23	14

- a) Details provided in table below.
- b) Attorney-General's Department.
- c) No

2000–01		2001–02		2002–03		2003–04	
Incident	Value (\$)	Incident	Value (\$)	Incident	Value (\$)	Incident	Value (\$)
1	576.69	1	3,121.97	1	865.35	1	1,665.95
2	595.17	2	980.16	2	1,974.22	2	615.51
3	754.25	3	423.47	3	50.00	3	2,090.16
4	799.50	4	2,218.08	4	80.00	4	174.32
5	70.00	5	90.00	5	1,848.94	5	554.22
6	819.30	6	54.74	6	1,998.59	6	386.02
7	1,250.00	7	181.89	7	517.60	7	784.37
		8	184.60	8	478.08	8	1,537.59
		9	869.35	9	733.58	9	549.79
		10	3,440.96	10	1,611.49	10	1,305.59
		11	1,056.62	11	414.98	11	499.79
		12	496.18	12	404.87	12	700.64
		13	572.68	13	270.05	13	1,208.34
		14	481.80	14	609.00	14	1,073.08
		15	1,327.29	15	424.35		
		16	5,862.93	16	979.90		
		17	1,100.74	17	2,712.97		
		18	513.98	18	90.00		
		19	472.35	19	1,000.00		
		20	2,229.90	20	800.00		
		21	422.55	21	1,200.00		
		22	581.15	22	250.00		
		23	1,950.00	23	250.00		
		24	1,321.59				
		25	423.15				

QON 34 – ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS TRIBUNAL

The AAT does not have general service (or ‘office’) vehicles in its vehicle fleet. All Tribunal vehicles are private-plated executive vehicles used by members and senior officers of the Tribunal for work-related and private purposes.

2000-01

For the year 2000-2001 there were 11 accidents reported nationally. The additional information is as follows:

New South Wales

- a) There were six accidents with repairs required valued (net) at: \$5,019; \$735; \$1,406; \$1,396; \$5,098 and \$1,240. Total \$14,894.
- b) The vehicles were administered by the Sydney Registry of the Tribunal
- c) No charges were laid from any accident.

Queensland

- a) There were three accidents with repairs required valued (net) at: \$871; \$90 and \$489. Total \$1,450.
- b) The vehicles were administered by the Brisbane Registry of the Tribunal.
- c) No charges were laid from any accident.

South Australia

- a) There were two accidents with repairs required valued (net) at: \$948 and \$518. Total \$1,466.
- b) The vehicles were administered by the Adelaide Registry of the Tribunal.
- c) No charges were laid from any accident.

2001-02

For the year 2001-02 there were six accidents reported nationally. The additional information is as follows:

New South Wales

- a) There was one accident with repairs required valued (net) at: \$1,122.
- b) The vehicle was administered by the Sydney Registry of the Tribunal.
- c) No charges were laid from the accident.

Queensland

- a) There was one accident with repairs required valued (net) at: \$816.
- b) The vehicle was administered by the Brisbane Registry of the Tribunal.
- c) No charges were laid from the accident.

South Australia

- a) There were two accidents with repairs required valued (net) at: \$598 and \$513. Total \$1,111.
- b) The vehicles were administered by the Adelaide Registry of the Tribunal.
- c) No charges were laid from any accident.

Victoria

- a) There were two accidents with repairs required valued (net) at: \$1,697 and \$1,401. Total \$3,098.
- b) The vehicles were administered by the Melbourne Registry of the Tribunal.
- c) No charges were laid from any accident.

2002-03

For the year 2002-03 there were four accidents reported nationally. The additional information is as follows:

New South Wales

- a) There were three accidents with repairs required valued (net) at: \$1,036; \$1,200 and \$924. Total \$3,160.
- b) The vehicles were administered by the Sydney Registry of the Tribunal.
- c) No charges were laid from any accident.

Victoria

- a) There was one accident with the vehicle written off at a value (net) of \$20,296.
- b) The vehicle was administered by the Melbourne Registry of the Tribunal.
- c) No charges were laid from any accident.

2003-04

For the year 2003-04 there were 14 accidents reported nationally. The additional information is as follows:

New South Wales

- a) There were seven accidents with repairs required valued (net) at: \$1,530; \$812; \$508; \$136; \$890; \$2,375 and \$2,235. Total \$8,487.
- b) The vehicles were administered by the Sydney Registry of the Tribunal.
- c) No charges were laid from any accident.

Queensland

- a) There were two accidents with repairs required valued (net) at: \$374.
- b) The vehicles were administered by the Brisbane Registry of the Tribunal.
- c) No charges were laid from the accident.

Victoria

- a) There were 5 accidents with repairs required valued (net) at: \$723; \$1,034; \$685; \$766 and \$1,537. Total \$4,747.
- b) The vehicles were administered by the Melbourne Registry of the Tribunal.
- c) No charges were laid from any accident.

ATTACHMENT C

QON 34 – AUSTRALIAN CRIME COMMISSION

The Australian Crime Commission was created on 1 January 2003. The following answer also includes its predecessor agencies, the National Crime Authority and the Australian Bureau of Criminal Intelligence, prior to 1 January 2003.

Financial year	2000–01	2001–02	2002–03	2003–04
No of accidents	75	76	88	44

The following table addresses point (a).

Financial Year	Value of damage	Financial Year	Value of damage	Financial Year	Value of damage	Financial Year	Value of damage
2000-01	\$1,126	2001-02	\$120	2002-03	\$2,450	2003-04	\$770
2000-01	\$339	2001-02	\$997	2002-03	\$90	2003-04	\$0
2000-01	\$1,994	2001-02	\$0	2002-03	\$90	2003-04	\$742
2000-01	\$1,001	2001-02	\$1,946	2002-03	\$485	2003-04	\$2,194
2000-01	\$704	2001-02	\$1,093	2002-03	\$90	2003-04	\$441
2000-01	\$0	2001-02	\$757	2002-03	\$1,200	2003-04	\$1,331
2000-01	\$1,088	2001-02	\$1,530	2002-03	\$1,801	2003-04	\$983
2000-01	\$3,360	2001-02	\$1,318	2002-03	\$422	2003-04	\$518
2000-01	\$532	2001-02	\$1,056	2002-03	\$570	2003-04	\$2,141
2000-01	\$4,796	2001-02	\$872	2002-03	\$1,699	2003-04	\$33,602
2000-01	\$165	2001-02	\$1,369	2002-03	\$4,216	2003-04	\$540
2000-01	\$5,446	2001-02	\$1,456	2002-03	\$607	2003-04	\$1,000
2000-01	\$947	2001-02	\$956	2002-03	\$900	2003-04	\$612
2000-01	\$3,840	2001-02	\$7,273	2002-03	\$90	2003-04	\$923
2000-01	\$2,385	2001-02	\$6,642	2002-03	\$1,873	2003-04	\$695
2000-01	\$90	2001-02	\$1,472	2002-03	\$608	2003-04	\$869
2000-01	\$1,909	2001-02	\$1,903	2002-03	\$942	2003-04	\$120
2000-01	\$0	2001-02	\$2,001	2002-03	\$858	2003-04	\$979
2000-01	\$351	2001-02	\$1,251	2002-03	\$665	2003-04	\$1,768
2000-01	\$989	2001-02	\$3,857	2002-03	\$1,409	2003-04	\$975
2000-01	\$2,157	2001-02	\$0	2002-03	\$1,723	2003-04	\$677
2000-01	\$1,059	2001-02	\$834	2002-03	\$15,433	2003-04	\$841
2000-01	\$90	2001-02	\$280	2002-03	\$717	2003-04	\$1,175
2000-01	\$484	2001-02	\$90	2002-03	\$4,861	2003-04	\$0
2000-01	\$1,126	2001-02	\$756	2002-03	\$747	2003-04	\$1,091
2000-01	\$110	2001-02	\$35	2002-03	\$843	2003-04	\$4,223
2000-01	\$0	2001-02	\$7,123	2002-03	\$860	2003-04	\$511
2000-01	\$454	2001-02	\$1,002	2002-03	\$1,273	2003-04	\$1,910
2000-01	\$1,493	2001-02	\$687	2002-03	\$517	2003-04	\$1,415
2000-01	\$2,051	2001-02	\$843	2002-03	\$501	2003-04	\$781
2000-01	\$1,984	2001-02	\$1,678	2002-03	\$724	2003-04	\$2,277
2000-01	\$6,708	2001-02	\$332	2002-03	\$1,063	2003-04	\$6,478
2000-01	\$828	2001-02	\$20	2002-03	\$2,549	2003-04	\$776
2000-01	\$866	2001-02	\$14,175	2002-03	\$5,736	2003-04	\$1,089
2000-01	\$20	2001-02	\$1,201	2002-03	\$889	2003-04	\$3,034
2000-01	\$1,283	2001-02	\$2,844	2002-03	\$90	2003-04	\$2,164
2000-01	\$650	2001-02	\$143	2002-03	\$996	2003-04	\$1,233
2000-01	\$540	2001-02	\$20	2002-03	\$90	2003-04	\$604
2000-01	\$60	2001-02	\$8,254	2002-03	\$627	2003-04	\$3,594
2000-01	\$0	2001-02	\$120	2002-03	\$767	2003-04	\$818

Financial Year	Value of damage	Financial Year	Value of damage	Financial Year	Value of damage	Financial Year	Value of damage
2000-01	\$516	2001-02	\$110	2002-03	\$464	2003-04	\$2,047
2000-01	\$975	2001-02	\$20	2002-03	\$2,078	2003-04	\$276
2000-01	\$349	2001-02	\$6,737	2002-03	\$984	2003-04	\$645
2000-01	\$4,535	2001-02	\$905	2002-03	\$90	2003-04	\$3,016
2000-01	\$65	2001-02	\$1,451	2002-03	\$823		
2000-01	\$90	2001-02	\$0	2002-03	\$1,812		
2000-01	\$970	2001-02	\$3,388	2002-03	\$1,053		
2000-01	\$6,775	2001-02	\$1,416	2002-03	\$968		
2000-01	\$0	2001-02	\$1,116	2002-03	\$590		
2000-01	\$1,150	2001-02	\$100	2002-03	\$1,265		
2000-01	\$627	2001-02	\$1,104	2002-03	\$6,737		
2000-01	\$6,095	2001-02	\$961	2002-03	\$403		
2000-01	\$306	2001-02	\$2,131	2002-03	\$400		
2000-01	\$1,694	2001-02	\$2,389	2002-03	\$45		
2000-01	\$3,499	2001-02	\$2,832	2002-03	\$534		
2000-01	\$5,066	2001-02	\$768	2002-03	\$477		
2000-01	\$34,843	2001-02	\$1,012	2002-03	\$758		
2000-01	\$925	2001-02	\$35	2002-03	\$1,532		
2000-01	\$681	2001-02	\$90	2002-03	\$741		
2000-01	\$2,000	2001-02	\$1,375	2002-03	\$2,048		
2000-01	\$934	2001-02	\$1,640	2002-03	\$1,066		
2000-01	\$4,574	2001-02	\$2,382	2002-03	\$1,458		
2000-01	\$2,574	2001-02	\$3,134	2002-03	\$295		
2000-01	\$633	2001-02	\$381	2002-03	\$471		
2000-01	\$500	2001-02	\$347	2002-03	\$1,000		
2000-01	\$1,500	2001-02	\$484	2002-03	\$1,144		
2000-01	\$8,554	2001-02	\$881	2002-03	\$9,645		
2000-01	\$716	2001-02	\$1,254	2002-03	\$3,130		
2000-01	\$1,472	2001-02	\$1,484	2002-03	\$1,652		
2000-01	\$1	2001-02	\$1,329	2002-03	\$905		
2000-01	\$2,587	2001-02	\$1,475	2002-03	\$462		
2000-01	\$2,694	2001-02	\$536	2002-03	\$2,640		
2000-01	\$500	2001-02	\$591	2002-03	\$1,179		
2000-01	\$2,077	2001-02	\$689	2002-03	\$670		
2000-01	\$4,863	2001-02	\$321	2002-03	\$469		
		2001-02	\$536	2002-03	\$1,759		
				2002-03	\$1,412		
				2002-03	\$1,740		
				2002-03	\$5,830		
				2002-03	\$10,924		
				2002-03	\$1,156		
				2002-03	\$0		
				2002-03	\$1,631		
				2002-03	\$438		
				2002-03	\$1,379		
				2002-03	\$1,000		
				2002-03	\$2,400		
				2002-03	\$915		

(b) Australian Crime Commission

(c) Not available

QON 34 – AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS SERVICE**A) Leaseplan (long term leasing of vehicles)**

Year	No of Accidents	Total Value of Damage
00/01	113	\$132,870
01/02	107	\$132,602
02/03	116	\$163,144
03/04	106	\$117,162

AVIS (Short term hire)

Year	No of Accidents	Total Value of Damage
01/02	3	\$1,483
02/03	0	\$0.00
03/04	6	\$950
04/05	7	\$2,334

- B) Customs does not have this information readily available.
- C) Customs has no records of any incidents where an officer was charged in relation to a vehicle accident.

QON 34 – AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE

For each incident:

a) What was the value of the damage?

- o 2000-2001 \$671,787
- o 2001-2002 \$435,270
- o 2002-2003 \$584,330
- o 2003-2004 \$539,317
- o **Total \$2,230,704**

b) Which administrative unit was the vehicle attached to?

	ACT*	NSW	VIC	SA	QLD	WA	TAS	NT	TOTAL
2000-2001	150	79	41	10	22	29	1	5	337
2001-2002	125	35	37	8	9	15	1	3	233
2002-2003	151	32	39	10	10	21	0	1	264
2003-2004	127	42	36	7	14	11	1	3	241

* Note: Includes ACT Policing

c) Was anyone charged over the accident (specify charges)?

Following a review of AFP records, there is no indication of any charges in relation to AFP personnel involved in accidents in departmental vehicles.

It should be noted that the abovementioned figures reflect only AFP vehicles. Given the recent integration of the former Australian Protective Service (APS) into the AFP, system records are not currently available for the APS.

ATTACHMENT F

QON 34 – AUSTRALIAN SECURITY INTELLIGENCE ORGANISATION

ASIO-owned vehicles were involved in the following number of accidents during the specified

years: 2000-01 - 35
 2001-02 - 24
 2002-03 - 23
 2003-04 - 22

Our external provider has been asked for details of accidents involving leased vehicles. These details will be provided separately when available.

- a) Details provided in table below.
- b) The administrative unit is ASIO.
- c) No officers were charged as a result of the reported accidents.

2003-04		2002-03		2001-02		2000-01	
Incident	Value (\$)	Incident	Value (\$)	Incident	Value (\$)	Incident	Value (\$)
1	701.70	1	2754.32	1	566.96	1	1115.64
2	194.18	2	705.85	2	890.53	2	512.00
3	163.64	3	902.45	3	158.95	3	977.52
4	4029.82	4	158.73	4	856.53	4	485.60
5	4069.26	5	1026.76	5	305.00	5	924.09
6	2227.20	6	729.33	6	1090.82	6	1712.33
7	130.00	7	687.86	7	1264.59	7	1569.52
8	0.00	8	1291.00	8	1493.70	8	57.23
9	480.50	9	385.00	9	1818.18	9	1700.00
10	35.45	10	717.97	10	521.45	10	0.0
11	1020.00	11	335.02	11	390.86	11	942.23
12	894.90	12	2460.00	12	547.27	12	546.00
13	344.26	13	820.00	13	422.64	13	204.55
14	670.68	14	754.55	14	0.0	14	1117.88
15	140.91	15	1168.11	15	1160.41	15	1600.00
16	1245.45	16	2658.27	16	1661.45	16	610.00
17	837.00	17	273.50	17	396.27	17	760.45
18	730.20	18	352.45	18	1105.45	18	854.50
19	1209.09	19	1679.32	19	7168.91	19	667.73
20	490.00	20	845.59	20	581.82	20	617.50
21	454.55	21	1481.82	21	6948.45	21	592.36
22	866.23	22	798.11	22	167.18	22	2777.55
		23	762.54	23	604.23	23	1468.25
				24	90.91	24	839.41
						25	1408.27
						26	696.00
						27	1050.00
						28	1852.65
						29	1313.00
						30	184.65
						31	726.23
						32	1572.15
						33	537.30
						34	149.14
						35	202.23
TOTAL	20 935.02		23 748.55		30 212.56		32 343.96

ATTACHMENT G

QON 34 – AUSTRALIAN TRANSACTION REPORTS AND ANALYSIS CENTRE

2000-01 Total Accidents - 5			
Incident	a) Damage Value	b) Administrative Unit	c) Was anyone Charged
1	\$1,043.57	Partner Liaison and Support	No
2	\$90.00	Partner Liaison and Support	No
3	\$2,160.60	Partner Liaison and Support	No
4	\$20.00	Executive	No
5	\$139.00	Monitoring and Analysis	No
2001-02 Total Accidents - 2			
Incident	a) Damage Value	b) Administrative Unit	c) Was anyone Charged
1	\$2,850.70	Reporting and Compliance Information Technology	No
2	\$1,370.93	Security	No
2002-03 Total Accidents - 0			
2003-04 Total Accidents - 0			

ATTACHMENT H

QON 34 - COMMONWEALTH DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS

There were sixty five (65) vehicular accidents reported during the four financial years in question.

a) Details of the incidents are:

2000-01		2001-02		2002-03		2003-04	
Loss Date	Value of damage	Loss Date	Value of damage	Loss Date	Value of damage	Loss Date	Value of damage
01-Aug-00	\$912.06	19-Sep-01	\$1,373.56	11-Jul-02	\$1,438.62	28-Jul-03	286.52
01-Aug-00	\$360.27	21-Oct-01	\$893.95	15-Jul-02	\$827.56	29-Jul-03	5,600.48
16-Aug-00	\$1,085.24	27-Oct-01	\$347.52	17-Jul-02	\$579.87	08-Aug-03	1,247.76
17-Aug-00	\$1,225.63	31-Oct-01	\$413.60	01-Aug-02	\$1,263.81	27-Aug-03	1,960.96
05-Sep-00	\$455.85	18-Feb-02	\$997.94	13-Aug-02	\$552.94	18-Sep-03	1,445.72
27-Sep-00	\$479.49	25-Mar-02	\$439.82	22-Aug-02	\$307.90	19-Sep-03	643.35
01-Nov-00	\$425.03	04-Apr-02	\$1,798.08	30-Aug-02	\$478.24		
05-Nov-00	\$1,462.55	16-Apr-02	\$906.53	02-Oct-02	\$758.23		
06-Nov-00	\$100.00	17-Apr-02	\$401.89	26-Oct-02	\$720.89		
11-Nov-00	\$425.43			26-Oct-02	\$720.89		
05-Dec-00	\$1,069.77			16-Nov-02	\$331.40		
22-Dec-00	\$394.86			22-Nov-02	\$1,523.43		
06-Jan-01	\$967.53			22-Nov-02	\$1,523.43		
15-Jan-01	\$876.33			25-Nov-02	\$1,042.21		
31-Jan-01	\$887.41			01-Dec-02	\$363.38		
21-Feb-01	\$709.68			07-Dec-02	\$90.00		
15-Mar-01	\$481.78			17-Dec-02	\$1,268.33		
20-Mar-01	\$371.94			10-Jan-03	\$1,752.07		
29-May-01	\$5,550.32			12-Feb-03	\$1,009.15		
09-Jun-01	\$4,388.01			20-Feb-03	\$855.01		
				15-Mar-03	\$0.00		
				01-Apr-03	\$1,314.55		
				08-May-03	\$279.81		
				09-May-03	\$330.90		
				15-May-03	\$0.00		
				03-Jun-03	\$5,900.00		
				03-Jun-03	\$850.00		
				03-Jun-03	\$5,900.00		
				04-Jun-03	\$1,900.00		
				05-Jun-03	\$1,200.00		

b) Corporate

c) The CDPP is not aware of any charges being laid against individual drivers.

QON 34 - FAMILY COURT OF AUSTRALIA

a) The Family Court of Australia's number of vehicular accidents are as follows:

2000-2001	40
2001-2002	44
2002-2003	42
2003-2004	25

A breakdown of damages to the vehicles concerned per incident is at Attachment II.

b) All vehicles are leased by the Family Court of Australia and are not assigned to specific administrative units.

c) No charges have been recorded against any judges or employees of the Court.

QON 34 - FAMILY COURT OF AUSTRALIA

2000-01		2001-02	
Loss Date	Damage	Loss Date	Damage
24/07/2000	\$0	6/07/2001	\$623
31/07/2000	\$2,539	20/07/2001	\$853
3/08/2000	\$365	5/08/2001	\$325
8/08/2000	\$508	8/08/2001	\$0
30/08/2000	\$0	17/08/2001	\$502
14/09/2000	\$0	20/08/2001	\$577
20/09/2000	\$1,890	23/08/2001	\$1,998
22/09/2000	\$475	16/09/2001	\$1,120
30/10/2000	\$241	21/09/2001	\$2,823
1/11/2000	\$229	24/09/2001	\$2,108
3/11/2000	\$0	2/10/2001	\$1,488
5/11/2000	\$12,637	3/10/2001	\$630
10/11/2000	\$384	11/10/2001	\$715
15/11/2000	\$857	22/10/2001	\$491
16/11/2000	\$757	4/11/2001	\$2,494
26/11/2000	\$0	6/11/2001	\$827
1/12/2000	\$0	8/11/2001	\$868
9/12/2000	\$630	14/11/2001	\$763
20/12/2000	\$0	17/11/2001	\$309
6/01/2001	\$802	18/11/2001	\$1,290
29/01/2001	\$338	23/11/2001	\$588
30/01/2001	\$678	3/12/2001	\$580
1/02/2001	\$0	3/12/2001	\$0
17/02/2001	\$1,192	4/12/2001	\$536
24/02/2001	\$1,115	20/01/2002	\$0
28/02/2001	\$0	21/01/2002	\$10,035
14/03/2001	\$2,836	23/01/2002	\$35,180
21/03/2001	\$0	1/02/2002	\$361
29/03/2001	\$322	2/02/2002	\$2,839
30/03/2001	\$1,741	3/02/2002	\$883
30/03/2001	\$181	23/02/2002	\$599
7/04/2001	\$0	23/02/2002	\$531
8/04/2001	\$1,051	7/03/2002	\$1,200
21/04/2001	\$430	9/03/2002	\$628
25/04/2001	\$698	21/03/2002	\$1,474
3/05/2001	\$1,163	15/04/2002	\$1,138
7/05/2001	\$3,929	21/04/2002	\$409
10/05/2001	\$247	22/04/2002	\$434
19/05/2001	\$0	1/06/2002	\$680
4/06/2001	\$181	1/06/2002	\$1,586
		8/06/2002	\$0
		15/06/2002	\$620
		28/06/2002	\$783
		30/06/2002	\$0
Total	\$38,415		\$81,888
Number	40		44

QON 34 - FAMILY COURT OF AUSTRALIA

2002-03		2003-04	
Loss Date	Damage	Loss Date	Damage
1/07/2002	\$476	18/10/2003	\$738
17/07/2002	\$0	8/11/2003	\$704
20/08/2002	\$471	29/11/2003	\$0
21/08/2002	\$1,125	22/07/2003	\$425
1/09/2002	\$508	11/07/2003	\$468
5/09/2002	\$730	27/08/2003	\$478
10/09/2002	\$3,394	28/08/2003	\$1,364
26/09/2002	\$1,937	16/10/2003	\$642
30/09/2002	\$0	8/11/2003	\$2,009
9/10/2002	\$0	22/07/2003	\$614
18/10/2002	\$430	8/08/2003	\$993
23/10/2002	\$307	25/08/2003	\$942
25/10/2002	\$0	22/09/2003	\$458
12/11/2002	\$0	28/09/2003	\$366
17/11/2002	\$793	3/11/2003	\$0
28/11/2002	\$1,028	17/12/2003	\$0
1/12/2002	\$850	5/12/2003	\$0
15/12/2002	\$3,020	8/07/2003	\$621
15/12/2002	\$474	16/08/2003	\$884
20/12/2002	\$1,433	17/09/2003	\$0
24/12/2002	\$1,062	20/09/2003	\$604
31/12/2002	\$4,232	18/12/2003	\$0
9/02/2003	\$529	1/07/2003	\$0
12/02/2003	\$691	30/09/2003	\$1,081
15/02/2003	\$0	9/11/2003	\$0
15/02/2003	\$583		
3/03/2003	\$1,339		
18/03/2003	\$570		
27/03/2003	\$0		
9/04/2003	\$631		
10/04/2003	\$825		
4/05/2003	\$0		
5/05/2003	\$0		
12/05/2003	\$1,265		
14/05/2003	\$926		
28/05/2003	\$0		
7/06/2003	\$1,514		
12/06/2003	\$0		
17/06/2003	\$0		
20/06/2003	\$0		
23/06/2003	\$0		
24/06/2003	\$0		
Total	\$31,143		\$13,392
Number	42		25

QON 34 - FEDERAL COURT OF AUSTRALIA

In 2000-01

Twenty four (24) accidents were reported to the Federal Court involving leased vehicles.

The value of the damage was \$35,286.

The court is not aware of charges in relation to the accidents.

In 2001-02

Sixteen (16) accidents were reported to the Federal Court involving leased vehicles.

The value of the damage was \$13,163.

The court is not aware of charges in relation to the accidents.

In 2002-03

Thirteen (13) accidents were reported to the Federal Court involving leased vehicles.

The value of the damage was \$28,307.

The court is not aware of charges in relation to the accidents.

In 2003-04

Eighteen (18) accidents were reported to the Federal Court involving leased vehicles.

The value of the damage was \$22,667.

The court is not aware of charges in relation to the accidents.

[The spreadsheet at Attachment J1 provides the details for each incident for each year]

ATTACHMENT J1

QON 34 - FEDERAL COURT OF AUSTRALIA

2003- 04

	Own Damage	Third Party	Recovery	Total Cost Incurred
1	1,163.80	0.00	0.00	1,283.80
2	1,923.58	0.00	0.00	2,163.58
3	533.95	0.00	0.00	653.95
4	582.34	0.00	0.00	642.34
5	1,749.47	0.00	0.00	1,869.47
6	513.66	1,153.92	0.00	1,882.58
7	1,055.49	0.00	0.00	1,175.49
8	780.35	0.00	0.00	870.35
9	2,358.56	0.00	0.00	2,598.56
10	810.16	0.00	0.00	930.16
11	1,397.97	0.00	0.00	1,757.97
12	522.59	0.00	0.00	642.59
13	2,296.02	0.00	2,296.02	150.00
14	806.16	0.00	0.00	841.16
15	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,200.00
16	2,358.70	0.00	0.00	2,458.70
17	934.09	0.00	0.00	1,054.09
18	463.13	0.00	0.00	493.13
				22,667.92

2002- 03

	Own Damage	Third Party	Recovery	Total Cost Incurred
1	\$2,926.85	\$0.00	\$2,926.85	\$90.00
2	\$1,110.56	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,155.56
3	\$1,343.46	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,433.46
4	\$1,780.94	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,870.94
5	\$1,216.05	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,306.05
6	\$8,586.44	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8,746.44
7	\$4,043.40	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,173.40
8	\$1,927.31	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,027.31
9	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
10	\$1,371.32	\$1,176.94	\$0.00	\$2,842.26
11	\$435.57	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,535.57
12	\$1,084.62	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,119.62
13	\$471.55	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$506.55
				\$28,307.16

QON 34 - FEDERAL COURT OF AUSTRALIA

2001-02

	Own Damage	Third Party	Recovery	Total Cost Incurred
1	\$893.57	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$983.57
2	\$732.30	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$822.30
3	\$802.37	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$892.37
4	\$751.54	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$796.54
5	\$1,304.75	\$0.00	\$631.77	\$822.98
6	\$6,321.17	\$0.00	\$3,062.95	\$3,513.22
7	\$524.38	\$0.00	\$524.38	\$95.00
8	\$240.45	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$240.45
9	\$734.25	\$0.00	\$734.25	\$35.00
10	\$161.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$161.50
11	\$839.78	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$859.78
12	\$1,099.30	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,119.30
13	\$686.10	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$706.10
14	\$731.05	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$781.05
15	\$520.75	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$570.75
16	\$728.95	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$763.95
				\$13,163.86

2000-01

	Own Damage	Third Party	Recovery	Total Cost Incurred
1	\$0.00	\$781.88	\$0.00	\$781.88
2	\$620.54	\$0.00	\$620.54	\$90.00
3	\$733.09	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$798.09
4	\$1,049.18	\$3,808.97	\$0.00	\$4,948.15
5	\$1,377.92	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,472.92
6	\$1,200.56	\$0.00	\$1,200.56	\$90.00
7	\$2,859.63	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,949.63
8	\$3,758.91	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,848.91
9	\$2,317.96	\$0.00	\$2,317.96	\$90.00
10	\$1,682.20	\$1,815.00	\$0.00	\$3,868.20
11	\$540.65	\$2,221.88	\$0.00	\$2,930.53
12	\$1,522.56	\$0.00	\$1,522.56	\$90.00
13	\$2,031.68	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,121.68
14	\$0.00	\$918.92	\$0.00	\$953.92
15	\$281.86	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$316.86
16	\$496.94	\$905.50	\$0.00	\$1,467.44
17	\$286.52	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$331.52
18	\$796.03	\$0.00	\$520.00	\$876.03
19	\$843.78	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$863.78
20	\$678.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$448.00
21	\$658.54	\$0.00	\$658.54	\$20.00
22	\$1,609.05	\$1,054.30	\$0.00	\$2,753.35
23	\$423.70	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$423.70
24	\$2,662.02	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,752.02
				\$35,286.61

QON 34 - FEDERAL MAGISTRATES COURT

2000-01 – 2 incidents

- a) \$9005 and \$499
- b) Federal Magistrates Court
- c) Information not available

2001-02 – 6 incidents

- a) \$2,436
\$180
\$1,869
\$1,616
\$1,427
\$35,330
- b) Federal Magistrates Court
- c) Information not available

2002-03 - nil

2003-04 - 5 incidents

- a) \$250
\$1,654
\$11,025
\$1,238
\$2,482
- b) Federal Magistrates Court
- c) Information not available

QON 34 - HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA

Of the following, 5 accidents were recorded. The other 11 were incidents where vehicles were broken (1) into or were damaged whilst parked and unattended (10).

2001-01 - 7

(a) \$4,182 (4 quotes received at agency and then claimed from insurance) and 3 small amounts where quotes were sent directly to insurance company with no out-of-pocket expenses incurred by Court.

(b) 1 - Administration; 6 - Chambers

(c) No

2001-02 - 4

(a) \$1,598 (2 quotes received at agency and then claimed from insurance) and 2 small amounts where quotes were sent directly to insurance company with no out-of-pocket expenses incurred by Court.

(b) 2 - Administration; 2 - Chambers

(c) No

2002-03 - 1

(a) \$0 (0 quotes received at agency and then claimed from insurance) and 1 small amount where quote was sent directly to insurance company with no out-of-pocket expenses incurred by Court.

(b) 1 - Chambers

(c) No

2003-04 - 4

(a) \$3,710 (3 quotes received at agency and then claimed from insurance) and 1 small amount where quote was sent directly to insurance company with no out-of-pocket expenses incurred by Court.

(b) 2 - Administration; 2 - Chambers/Registry

(c) No

QON 34 - INSOLVENCY AND TRUSTEE SERVICE AUSTRALIA

ITSA records show the following reported accidents involving departmental vehicles:

- (i) **2000-01** - One (1) accident reported:
 - a) Value of damage was \$530;
 - b) The vehicle was attached to ITSA's Brisbane Office; and
 - c) No one was charged over the accident.

- (ii) **2001-02** - No accidents reported.

- (iii) **2002-03** - Two (2) accidents reported:
 - 1a) Value of the damage was \$969.98;
 - b) The vehicle was attached to the Bankruptcy Regulation Branch, Brisbane; and
 - c) No one was charged over the accident.

 - 2a) Value of damage was <\$500;
 - b) The vehicle was attached to ITSA Perth; and
 - c) No one was charged.

- (iv) **2003-04** - One (1) accident reported:
 - a) Value of the damage was \$1095.38;
 - b) The vehicle was attached to the Bankruptcy Regulation Branch, Brisbane; and
 - c) No one was charged over the accident.

ATTACHMENT N

QON 34 - NATIONAL NATIVE TITLE TRIBUNAL

a)	b)	c)
2003/04		
792.71	NNTT	No
378.07	NNTT	No
1,280.99	NNTT	No
1,770.59	NNTT	No
1,159.67	NNTT	No
2002/03		
\$1,510.56	NNTT	No
\$1,391.54	NNTT	No
\$608.20	NNTT	No
2001/02		
\$1,159.68	NNTT	No
\$250.27	NNTT	No
\$135.00	NNTT	No
2000/01		
\$692.69	NNTT	No
\$2,077.84	NNTT	No

ATTACHMENT O

QON 34 – OFFICE OF PARLIAMENTARY COUNSEL

2000/2001

No.	Value of Damage	Administrative Unit	Charges
1	\$324.32	Office of Parliamentary Counsel	No
2	\$1,031.87	Office of Parliamentary Counsel	No
3	\$765.33	Office of Parliamentary Counsel	No
4	\$1,393.97	Office of Parliamentary Counsel	Unknown
5	\$991.66	Office of Parliamentary Counsel	No
6	\$320.28	Office of Parliamentary Counsel	No
7	\$1,224.95	Office of Parliamentary Counsel	No
8	\$1,797.86	Office of Parliamentary Counsel	Unknown
9	\$790.57	Office of Parliamentary Counsel	No

2001/2002

No.	Value of Damage	Administrative Unit	Charges
1	\$1,296.26	Office of Parliamentary Counsel	No
2	\$1,070.00	Office of Parliamentary Counsel	No
3	\$872.89	Office of Parliamentary Counsel	Unknown
4	\$1,079.76	Office of Parliamentary Counsel	No
5	\$28.50	Office of Parliamentary Counsel	No
6	\$1,756.75	Office of Parliamentary Counsel	Unknown
7	\$1,076.71	Office of Parliamentary Counsel	Unknown
8	\$624.04	Office of Parliamentary Counsel	No

2002/2003

No.	Value of Damage	Administrative Unit	Charges
1	\$599.65	Office of Parliamentary Counsel	No
2	\$209.47	Office of Parliamentary Counsel	No
3	\$1,962.77	Office of Parliamentary Counsel	No
4	\$2,105.64	Office of Parliamentary Counsel	Unknown

2003/2004

No.	Value of Damage	Administrative Unit	Charges
1	\$1,561.12	Office of Parliamentary Counsel	No
2	\$776.34	Office of Parliamentary Counsel	No
3	\$856.95	Office of Parliamentary Counsel	No

SENATE LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

Output 1.3

Question No. 35

Senator Greig asked the following question on 2 December 2004:

Legal aid:

- a) Has the next 4-year agreement been finalised with the States?
- b) If not, at what stage are the negotiations and when is the agreement expected to be finalised?
- c) Does the amount allocated to legal aid in the Budget represent the Government's bottom line in its negotiations with the States?
- d) Has the Government reconsidered, or will the Government be reconsidering, the current restriction on Commonwealth legal aid, which requires this funding only to be used for Commonwealth matters?
- e) If not, why not?

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

- a) No.
- b) Agreements are very close to being finalised with several States or Territories.
- c) The monies allocated in the 2004-05 Budget for legal aid comprise ongoing and new funding and money rephased from the Commonwealth Criminal Law - Expensive Cases Fund (CCL-ECF). The ongoing and new funding comprises money allocated for service delivery by legal aid commissions and funding for program improvements and program administration. Funding for service delivery is the subject of negotiations with the States and Territories. The Attorney-General wrote to States and Territories on 12 May 2004 with the Australian Government's offers for legal aid service delivery. That letter foreshadowed discussions with jurisdictions in relation to the provision of duty lawyer services in family law. The Attorney-General wrote again to all jurisdictions on 10 November 2004 setting out the Australian Government's funding offer for the duty lawyer service. In addition to the amounts set out in these letters, there have been discussions at officer level about funding for the New South Wales Legal Aid Commission to provide services in Jervis Bay. Commissions will also continue to be able to apply for funds from the CCL-ECF in appropriate circumstances.
- d) No. The Government has no plans to change the current arrangements.
- e) Retaining the current arrangements reflects the Australian Government's position that it is responsible for funding assistance in matters which arise under Commonwealth law and State and Territory Governments are responsible for funding assistance in matters that arise under their laws.

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Question No. 36

Senator Ludwig asked the following question on 2 December 2004:

What is the current status of the National Institute of Forensic Science Explosive Precursor Project?

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

The National Institute of Forensic Science Explosive Precursor Project was divided into two phases with the Attorney-General's Department funding Phase One (from the National Crime Prevention Program) and the Department of Education, Science and Training funding Phase Two. Phase One was subsequently divided into two initiatives.

The objectives of Initiative One were to "determine the range of common precursor chemicals that may be used for the preparation of improvised explosives mixtures"; and "investigate the potential for monitoring and controlling a selected range of common precursor chemicals in a manner similar to measures already in place for chemicals used for the clandestine manufacture of illicit drugs."

The objective of Initiative Two was to investigate the use of taggants in explosives and explosive precursors to assist with the detection and/or the determination of source either pre- or post-detonation. Both parts of the project were designed to improve monitoring and detection capabilities to minimise the potential criminal use of explosives in Australia and to prevent crime through the early identification of explosives before use.

Phase One of the Project has been completed. The Final Reports for Phase One were received in December 2004 and are being considered by the Government.

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Question No. 37

Senator Ludwig asked the following question on 2 December 2004:

How many complaints has the Attorney-General's Department handled in relation to suspected war criminals in Australia?

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

None. The Attorney-General's Department does not handle complaints about suspected war criminals in Australia. The Australian Federal Police is responsible for making inquiries about or investigating alleged war crimes.

As at 18 January 2005 the AFP has received 13 referrals from international war crime tribunals relating to requests for assistance since 2000.

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Question No. 38

Senator Ludwig asked the following question on 2 December 2004:

What measures has the Attorney-General's Department taken to a) detect and b) investigate the presence of suspect war criminals from the former Republic of Yugoslavia? How many individuals were a) detected and b) investigated?

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

The Attorney-General's Department is not involved in the detection and investigation of suspected war criminals. The Australian Federal Police, which is part of the Attorney-General's portfolio, is responsible for the investigation of offences relating to war crimes. When a referral is received from another government agency or Interpol, it is assessed in accordance with established AFP procedures. The AFP has not investigated any war criminals from the former Republic of Yugoslavia.