

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS  
AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS SERVICE

**Question No. 88**

**Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 31 October 2006:**

Joint Aviation Intelligence Groups:

- a) How many Customs officers are stationed at airports?
- b) How many are at each airport?
- c) How many hours a day are the Officers operational?

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

- a) Eleven Customs analysts have been outposted to the Joint Airport Intelligence Groups (JAIGs) in total, with an additional support position established in Central Office.
- b) There are three analysts in Sydney, two each in Melbourne and Brisbane, and one each in Perth, Adelaide, Darwin and Cairns. Support to the remaining CTFR airports will be provided from other JAIGs as follows: Canberra from Sydney; Hobart from Melbourne; Gold Coast from Brisbane; and Alice Springs from Darwin.
- c) JAIG analysts work standard office hours in accordance with the Customs Certified Agreement 2004-2007. Out of hours intelligence support is provided to JAIGs by Customs Port Intelligence Officers at airports and from Customs Intelligence in regional offices.