SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE

Question No. 44

Senator Humphries asked the following question at the hearing of 18 October 2010:

Please table how many sworn AFP officers were deployed in core investigative capability in tackling domestic and transnational crime and combating activities of organised crime syndicates as of November 2007 and as of 18 October.

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

	AFP Sworn Police Officers		
	28/11/2007	18/10/2010	Variance %
Serious and Organised Crime and Crime Operations Portfolios	591	669	13.20%

The table above shows the number of sworn police officers in the Serious and Organised Crime and Crime Operations portfolios as at 28 November 2007 and 18 October 2010. There has been an increase of approximately 13% over this period. At present, this function resides in two key portfolios – Serious and Organised Crime and Crime Operations. The 2007 numbers have been derived from the Economic and Special Operations and the Border and International portfolios, which became Crime Operations and Serious and Organised Crime respectively in an organisational restructure on 1 February 2010.