SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE

Question No. 96

Senator Barnett asked the following question at the hearing on 23 February 2009:

What are the current figures for cases being referred to the Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions? Is this more or less than previous years?

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

In the current financial year to 28 February 2009, the Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions (CDPP) has received a total of 225 cases referred for prosecution from the AFP. This is thirty-nine more cases than the corresponding eight month period last financial year.

The number of AFP cases referred to the CDPP for prosecution for the financial years 2005-06; 2006-07; and 2007-08 are 323, 341 and 307 respectively.