SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS AUSTRALIAN SECURITY INTELLIGENCE ORGANISATION

Question No. 182

Senator Hanson-Young asked the following question at the hearing on 24 May 2012:

- 1. Can we have a breakdown of nationality of people who have adverse security checks over the past three years?
- 2. How many Sri Lankans have received adverse assessments over the past three years? (DIAC referred this question to AG in their answer 12/0497)
- 3. What are the updated lengths of time in detention for people with ASAs?
- 4. In the instance that an adversely affected person has a relative overseas:
 - a) What is the process for negotiating with the foreign government about potentially taking the affected person?
 - b) What is AG's role in this?
 - c) What information is shared?
 - d) What is the process? (e.g. British Home Office)

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

- 1. For security reasons, it would not be appropriate for ASIO to publicly provide this information.
- 2. For security reasons, it would not be appropriate for ASIO to publicly provide this information.
- 3. Questions regarding immigration detention should be directed to the Department of Immigration and Citizenship.
- 4. Questions on resettlement should be directed to the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.