SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE

Question No. 49

Senator Brandis asked the following question at the hearing on 25 May 2010:

Where it is appropriate to respond:

- a. Please confirm that the Prime Minister attended a private dinner in the private dining room of Japanese restaurant *Nobu* at the Crown Casino on 30 March 2010.
- b. Would people attending, or the identity of people attending, ordinarily be recorded in the log or diary of protective service officers?
- c. Were identities of people attending on this occasion recorded in the log or diary of the protective security officers?
- d. Please confirm the identities of persons present at the dinner on this occasion.
- e. Did an altercation occur where the Prime Minister yelled and officers standing outside the room entered the room to check he was all right?
- f. Please produce the relevant notebooks, diaries, logs and reports of the security detail attached to the Prime Minister from that evening.

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

a, b, c, d and f:

The identity of people attending and details of a private function are not recorded by Australian Federal Police (AFP) officers.

The AFP does not provide comment on operational methodologies or standard operating procedures in relation to the provision of close personal protection.

e. This question was ruled out of order by the Chair of the Committee, Senator Crossin. However the AFP has no knowledge of any incidents of concern.