

**JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON AUSTRALIA'S
IMMIGRATION DETENTION NETWORK**

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Question: Maybe if you could just tell me the time of the decision and whether the minister was involved in that decision or appraised of that decision?

Answer: The decision to increase the Australian Federal Police (AFP) presence on Christmas Island is a matter for that agency and as such any questions relating to this decision should be directed to the AFP. The Minister for Immigration and Citizenship was not involved in that decision making process. In the course of regular and ongoing briefing from the Department about the incident, the Minister was advised of the increase of AFP personnel on the island.