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Director-General of Security

The Hon Anthony Byrne MP
Chairman
Parliamentary Joint Committee on Intelligence and Security
Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Mr Byrne

Question No. 102

Further to the public hearing on 16 June 2011, I am pleased to provide a response to Question No. 102 as requested by The Hon Mr Melham MP.

The Hon Mr Melham asked the following question at the hearing on 16 June 2011:

What is the number of non-Australian citizens, within Australian borders, who did not have the right to appeal an adverse visa security assessment in the financial year 2009-10?

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

ASIO issued 19 adverse visa security assessments in relation to non-Australian citizens in the 2009-10 financial year.

Of these 19 adverse visa security assessments, seven were in relation to non-Australian citizens within Australia.

All seven of these individuals had the right to appeal to the Administrative Appeals Tribunal.

I thank the Committee for its interest and input in this matter.

Should you have any further queries on this matter I would be pleased to assist.

Yours,

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