

**Question on notice no. 187**

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**Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee, Defence Portfolio**

**Senator Kimberley Kitching:** asked the Australian Signals Directorate on 4 March 2020—

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**Answer —**

Answer attached

**Senate Standing Committee Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade**

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**ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**

Australian Signals Directorate

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**Senator:** Kimberley Kitching

**Type of question:** Written

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**Answer:**

Yes.