

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications
Legislation Committee**

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Senator Rhiannon asked:

With regard to the 80 rhinos to be imported to Australia from South Africa
What will be the legal status of these animals when they leave Australia, including who will have ownership of these animals at each stage of the process?

Answer:

The Department has not received a permit application for the import of these rhinoceros.
Should an application be received, legal ownership of specimens imported into Australia is not a matter of consideration under the EPBC Act.