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Senator: Trood

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Question:

Dr Thom—That inquiry has been completed. It was a matter of timeliness and I think there was a matter of administrative oversight, but it has been resolved now; that inquiry has been completed.

Senator TROOD—A matter of administrative oversight in ASIO; is that it?

Dr Thom—From memory, I think it was both in ASIO and in the department of immigration, but I would have to check that and get back to you.

Answer:

The preliminary inquiry was finalised on 27 July 2010. The Inspector-General concluded that there was a delay in ASIO's processes.

The Department of Immigration and Citizenship's handling of the case was separately referred to the Commonwealth Ombudsman.