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Senator Madigan asked the following question at the hearing on 24 February 2014:

Senator MADIGAN: Okay. Further questions go to extradition requests that the Australian government has received from the Indonesian government in the past 10 years. How many have there been?

Mr Wilkins: Unless they become public we do not discuss matters of extradition requests that have been made. It is a bit like the question that Senator Xenophon asked about mutual assistance. We can take that on notice but only give you information in respect of matters that have been made public because they have come before the courts. We can do that. Over the last 10 years?

Senator MADIGAN: Yes. How many extradition requests have been made for the extraditions of Australians to Indonesia?

Mr Wilkins: Sorry, extradition of Australians to Indonesia?

Senator MADIGAN: Yes, and vice versa. In the past 10 years.

Mr Wilkins: We will take that on notice.

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

For the period 24 February 2004 to 24 February 2014, the number of Australian nationals (including dual nationals) who were arrested in response to extradition requests between Australia and the Republic of Indonesia is as follows:

- in relation to extradition requests made by Australia to the Republic of Indonesia, five (5) Australian nationals;
- in relation to extradition requests made by the Republic of Indonesia to Australia, two (2) Australian nationals.