

SENATE LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
AUSTRALIAN SECURITY INTELLIGENCE ORGANISATION

Question No. 181

Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 14 February 2006:

Additional staff recruited to ASIO since the reporting period covered in the 2004-05 Annual Report;

- a) How many additional staff have been recruited?
- b) Please provide a breakdown of where those staff will be assigned (if able)?
- c) How many staff have been recruited directly into positions?
- d) How many were recruited through the graduate entry program?

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

- a) As at 14 February 2006 ASIO had recruited 128 additional staff.
- b) ASIO does not provide this information publicly as it relates to matters of capability.
- c) 110 new staff have been recruited directly into positions.
- d) 18 staff have been recruited through the graduate entry program since the beginning of the 2005-06 financial year. On completion of their 12 month traineeship they will be placed into positions.