SENATE LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATION COMMITTEE AUSTALIAN SECURITY INTELLIGENCE ORGANISATION

Question No. 184

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

Further to the reply to Question 110 of 31 October 2005:

- a) How many times ASIO has used its powers of detention?
- b) When were these powers used?
- c) What was the duration of the detention in each occasion?
- d) Of those detained by ASIO, have any charges subsequently been pressed?
- e) Of those charged with an offence, what sort of offences were they charged with?
- f) How many of those charges have been finalised in the sense of being dropped or a conviction or acquittal being recorded?
- g) Of those finalised, how many were dropped, how many resulted in a conviction and how many resulted in an acquittal?

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

The answer remains, as reported in the ASIO Report to Parliament 2004-2005 (page 41). ASIO has not sought a warrant under 34D(2)(b) of the ASIO Act 1979.