SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

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Question No. 26

Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 13 February 2007:

- a) Has the backbench taskforce corresponded with the Attorney-General's Department and provided the minutes of the two meetings?
- b) if so, are those minutes available to the Committee?

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

a) In relation to correspondence between the Department and the Taskforce, please see response to Question on Notice 27.

Only the meeting of 26 July 2005 meeting had what could be described as minutes. Other notes made by officers for internal use were not minutes of the meetings and were not provided to the Taskforce. (These internal notes included typed notes of a meeting of 8 August 2005 and handwritten notes by officers.)

b) The notes of the meeting of 26 July 2005 are attached to the response to Question on Notice 27.