SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUIONAL AFFAIRS AUSTRALIAN COMMISSION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT INTEGRITY

Question No. 86

Senator Barnett asked the following question at the hearing on 26 May 2009:

Can the Committee be provided with the status of some of the confidante referrals the Commission is currently dealing with? Provide figures in terms of the number of referrals the Commission has received since 1 July 2008.

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

Under the *Law Enforcement Integrity Commissioner Act 2006*, the Australian Federal Police (AFP) Commissioner is required to notify the Integrity Commissioner of any corruption issue relating to the AFP.

ACLEI is not routinely informed of the method by which each corruption issue first comes to the AFP Commissioner's notice. Sometimes this information will be relevant to the Integrity Commissioner's assessment of information, and ACLEI may ask to be informed in relation to specific instances.

Of those instances, and since 1 July 2008, none of the corruption issues, which ACLEI is currently dealing with, has come to notice through the AFP Confidante Network.