

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE

Question No. 62

Senator Ludlam asked the following question at the hearing on 25 May 2010:

- a) Has the AFP been called in either by the Colombian government directly or by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade in anti-terror operations here in Australia or Colombia?
- b) Has the AFP given technical assistance to Colombian security agencies to tap phones and install listening or other kinds of surveillance devices to hear the conversations of union activists or leaders or opposition politicians either in Australia or in Colombia?

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

- a) As this would constitute an operational matter it would not be appropriate to comment.
- b) No.