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

Program 1.5

Question No. 66

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

What is the breakdown of services under the \$29.1 million to be provided in 2010-11 for Closing the Gap? If there are forward estimates for the years beyond that, please provide those.

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

There is funding in the forward estimates for Closing the Gap in the Northern Territory law and order measures up to 2011-2012.

| | 2010 - 2011 | 2011 - 2012 |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Community Patrols* | 25,030,200 | 23,346,200 |
| NT Aboriginal Interpreter Service | 558,800 | 568,300 |
| Indigenous Legal Aid | 2,540,000 | 2,583,200 |
| Welfare Rights Outreach Project | 1,016,000 | 1,033,300 |
| | \$29,145,000 | \$27,531,000 |

^{*}The 2010-11 budget for Community Patrols includes a \$1.8 million Movement of Funds from 2009-10. This funding was set aside to evaluate the effectiveness of Indigenous law and justice programs with an initial focus on youth initiatives and perpetrator programs. The evaluation is being conducted jointly with State and Territory governments through the Standing Committee of Attorneys-General.