SENATE LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATION COMMITTEE DIRECTOR OF PUBIC PROSECUTIONS

Question No. 156

Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 31 October 2005:

Could the CDPP indicate:

- a) How many charges have been laid in relation to fraud against a Federal Government Department or agency in 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004and 2005? Please provide a breakdown by each agency and department, and the number of persons involved in the charges.
 - (i) In each case, how much did the fraud represent?
 - (ii) In each case, how many prosecutions were launched against the person?
 - (iii) Of those prosecutions that were launched, how many resulted in a conviction?
 - (iv) How many were subsequently dropped, or resulted in a verdict of not guilty?

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

Records held electronically do not enable the CDPP to provide this information relating to internal fraud against Federal Government Departments or agencies.