SENATE LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATION COMMITTEE ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

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Question No. 297

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

- a) Which recommendations of the review of the protective security for holders on high office conducted in 2003-04 have been implemented?
- b) Please provide the details of which ones haven't and have not been implemented?
- c) Can the AFP provide the costs that the review has taken up and provide a breakdown of those costs? Please provide an update on each recommendation.
- d) Is there a timeframe for the implementation of the remaining recommendations?
 - (i) If so, what is the time frame?
 - (ii) Was there an original time frame planned for the introduction of the review?
- (iii) If so, please provide that time frame and indicate which key dates were met and which key dates weren't met?

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

- a) The review recommended a risk based approach to the provision of protective security an examination of the measures for delivering that security. The implementation of the review was translated into an integrated two year program which will be completed at the end of the 2005-6 financial year.
- b) The review and the implementation plan involve operational detail and are security classified.
- c) The expenses relating to ongoing implementation of recommendations are met from the ongoing protection budget and are not separately tracked.
- d) (i) As stated in a) above, the recommendations are intended to be implemented by the end of the 2005-06 financial year.
 - (ii) There was no original timeframe prescribed by the review.
 - (iii) Not applicable.