SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE

Question No. 110

Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 31 October 2006:

Regarding the people-smuggling strike team, for the years 2001-02, 2002-03, 2003-04, 2003-04, 2005-06, indicate:

- (a) The number of individual persons arrested by the team;
- (b) The number of those persons who were (i) brought to trial and (ii) released without charge;
- (c) Of those persons brought to trial (i) how many were convicted, (ii) how many were acquitted, and (iii) for how many are trials still ongoing; and
- (d) Of those persons released without charge, how many were subsequently re-arrested at a later date (specify the reasons for the re-arrest).

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

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Year	Number of Persons Arrested
2001-02	9
2002-03	2
2003-04	5
2004-05	2
2005-06	0
TOTAL	18

- (b) (i) 18. (ii) Nil.
- (c) (i) 18. (ii) Nil. (iii) Nil. (Two appeals against conviction have been lodged and both are yet to be heard.)
- (d) Not applicable.