SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS AUSTRALIAN SECURITY INTELLIGENCE ORGANISATION

Question No. 137

Senator Ludwig tabled the following question on 31 October 2006:

Regarding the \$1.6 million funding provided for the development of a National Document Verification System (per answer to QoN 52 from May 2006 Estimates):

- (a) How much of this funding has been expended so far?
- (b) Is this expenditure on target?
- (c) Have any additional funds been requested? If so, give details as to the: (i) amount requested;
- (ii) amount provided; and (iii) need for the additional funding.
- (d) Provide a list of key dates for the project.
- (e) Have all key dates so far been met? If not, give details.

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

- (a)— (c) ASIO generally does not provide a break down of its financial data below Organisational level beyond that which already is provided in ASIO's Report to Parliament for reasons of national security.
- (d) (e) ASIO does not provide a break down of its activities beyond that already provided in its Report to Parliament for reasons of national security.