SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS BORDER PROTECTION SERVICE

Question No. 40

Senator Barnett asked the following question at the hearing on 18 October 2010:

For air cargo consignments and sea cargo TEU, please specify the inspections and the examinations and the target and the difference between the two over the past financial year.

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

2009/10 sea and air cargo examination and inspection figures:

	2009/10 PBS Deliverable/Target	2009/10 Achievement	Variance	Percentage
Sea Cargo – Total Inspections (TEU)	101,500	101,822	322	0.32%
Sea Cargo – Import Examinations (TEU)	14,000	14,175	175	1.25%
Air Cargo – Total Inspections	1,500,000	1,492,762	-7238	-0.48%
Air Cargo – Total Examinations	No PBS target	66,821	n/a	n/a

Definitions:

TEU: Twenty-foot equivalent units

Inspection: Screening of cargo by Customs and Border Protection Officers

Examination: Physical examination of cargo by Customs and Border Protection Officers