



**Senator the Hon. Doug Cameron**  
**Shadow Minister for Human Services**

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Mr Grant Hehir  
Auditor –General for Australia  
Australian National Audit Office  
GPO Box 707  
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Dear Auditor General,

As you are aware, there has been a number of media reports in relation to identity theft across a number of government departments.

I would formally seek an urgent audit into the systems and processes within the Department of Human Services (DHS) that go to the security of citizens' identity.

DHS have advised that they are currently investigating some 369 allegations of identity theft and are concentrating their efforts in NSW, in a project they describe as Taskforce Board.

I am of the view that this issue is wider than NSW and an urgent audit would play a significant role in ensuring identity security for Australian citizens.

I look forward to you giving this request your urgent consideration. If further information is required please do not hesitate to contact my office by phone or email.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Doug Cameron', with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Senator Doug Cameron  
Shadow Minister for Human Services  
Senator for New South Wales