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MAURITANIA REFERRAL

On 17 May 2006 Australian Greens Senator Christine Milne advised she had asked the Australian Federal Police (AFP) to investigate Woodside's activities in Mauritania.

In response to earlier media reports, Woodside contacted the AFP in relation to this matter. The AFP have now formally responded that they have received a referral for investigation in relation to allegations of bribery by the company of a Mauritanian foreign official.

The AFP advises that, in accordance with normal processes, this referral is currently being evaluated.

Woodside does not believe there is any basis for the referral, but will cooperate fully with the AFP in their evaluation.