

In the AFP's appearance before the Committee yesterday evening, we were asked by Senator Antic about the use of Long Range Acoustic Devices (LRADs) during recent protest activity in the ACT. The AFP Commissioner took a number of questions on notice, and we will endeavour to provide a formal written response to these questions as soon as possible.

In response to a number of media inquiries during the course of this week, ACT Policing has provided the following information:

- *ACT Policing has deployed several types of loudspeakers and amplification devices to quickly and effectively convey voice messages to large, and often loud, crowds of people during the recent protest activity in Canberra.*
- *The Long Range Acoustic Devices (LRADs) were only used to convey spoken-word messages. The 'alert' function was not used.*

We would be grateful if you would provide this information to Senator Antic and others as appropriate, as a courtesy.