

**JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON AUSTRALIA'S
IMMIGRATION DETENTION NETWORK**

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Question: Can you confirm when the critical incident response management plan that I referred to in the discussions with the Federal Police took effect here in Darwin, before the formalised signed, sealed and delivered version?

Answer: There are a number of documents governing the management of critical incidents and emergencies at facilities in Darwin. These documents have been developed by the department's detention service provider, Serco.

There is a protocol called the *Northern Immigration Detention Centre (NIDC) Protocol between Serco, AFP, NT Police and DIAC*, which was never signed given the decision to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the provision of policing services to Immigration Detention Facilities (IDFs).

The department is in the process of finalising the MOU with the AFP and each state and territory law enforcement agency.

Other documents that have been developed by Serco include:

- *The Northern IDC Evacuating People in Detention, Staff and/or Visitors Contingency Plan* dated 21 November 2011;
- *The Darwin Immigration Detention Centre Emergency Procedures Manual* dated February 2011;
- *The Northern IDC Escape Incident Contingency Plan* dated 21 November 2011; and
- *The Northern IDC Serco Immigration Services Emergency Control Organisation & Incident Command Structure Workbook* dated November 2011.