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Senator TROOD—...Secondly, were the views of the Defence Intelligence Organisation and ONA at odds, or did they place different emphasis, on the views of the Department of Defence and the Prime Minister's department in relation to this matter?

Answer: The intelligence community provides assessments in support of the policy development process. The Department does not comment on the views or assessments of intelligence agencies.