

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
AUSTRALIAN CRIME COMMISSION

Question No. 51

Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 13 February 2007:

According to Question No. 79 (May 2006), the following ACC special intelligence operations and special investigations concluded on the 31st December 2006:

1. Firearms;
2. Amphetamines and other synthetic drugs;
3. Crime in the transport sector.

a) For each of those finalised operations, could you provide the following information:

i) Have any of those operations been extended?

If so:

1) Why was it extended?

2) For how long has it been extended?

ii) What was the total cost of the operation?

iii) To date, how many persons have had charges brought against them as a result of a special intelligence operation or special investigation?

iv) How many of those persons who have had charges brought against them have been brought to trial?

v) Of those persons brought to trial (a) how many were convicted; (b) how many were acquitted; and (c) For how many are trials still ongoing?

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

a)	Firearms	AOSD	CiTS
i)	No	Yes	Yes
1)	n/a	Board approved extension	Board approved extension.
2)	n/a	31 December 2007	31 December 2007
ii)	\$20,185,457 (2003 – 2007)	\$2,376,641 (2006 – 2007)	\$2,860,279 (2006 – 2007)
iii)	151 (130 partner agencies)	81 (67 partner agencies)	Nil
iv)	21	14	Nil
v)			
(a)	18	13	Nil
(b)	1 acquitted, 1 withdrawn, and 1 offence proven without conviction	Nil	Nil
(c)	Nil	1	Nil