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## **Answers to Questions on Notice taken by the Australian Federal Police – 18 February 2008**

### **1. When did the AFP receive correspondence from Finance about application of the efficiency dividend?**

An Estimates Memorandum (2008/03) was sent by Finance to all agencies on 16 January 2008 requesting that all applicable agencies with departmental appropriations reflect the Government's one off 2 per cent efficiency dividend in their estimates.

- The Estimates Memorandum noted that the additional efficiency dividend does not apply to a small number of agencies. The AFP is not one of those agencies.

### **2. When does the efficiency dividend apply?**

Agencies are required to:

- apply a one-off 2 per cent efficiency dividend to their adjusted departmental estimates for 2008-09, 2009-10, and 2010-11; and
- apply a pro rata efficiency dividend of 0.46 per cent to their adjusted departmental estimates for 2007-08.

The efficiency dividend is applied to agencies' departmental estimates after adjusting for other Government savings commitments that impact on agencies and the effect of the new Administrative Arrangement Orders.

### **3. What is the 2007-08 part year effect of the efficiency dividend?**

The part year effect of the efficiency dividend in 2007-08 is a saving of \$100 million. This will be achieved by applying a reduction of 0.46 per cent across the current 2007-08 departmental base for the efficiency dividend.