

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS  
AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE

**Question No. 10**

**Senator Brandis asked the following question at the hearing on 26 May 2008:**

What was the original estimated cost of AFP involvement in the Olympic Torch Relay?

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

Based on information available in February 2008, ACT Policing anticipated committing 52 members to the security operation for the Beijing Olympic Torch Relay at an estimated cost of \$47,361. Initially, this commitment did not include any members of AFP National Operations.

In response to intelligence received during the planning phase for the event, the final planned commitment to the Olympic Torch Relay was 518 members. This included both AFP National and ACT Policing members at an estimated cost of \$723,059. These figures relate to the direct costs on the day of the event and for the two-day training prior to the event. They do not reflect the costs associated with the time spent planning for the event in the months prior. These figures are also not inclusive of associated costs with Airport Uniformed Policing and the AFP Protective Service.