

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS

Question No. 116

Senator Heffernan asked the following question at the hearing on 27 May 2009:

Can details be provided on the level of IT security and extension of firewalls and restrictions on the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions' IT systems?

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

The network of the CDPP is rated to 'Protected' level. Access to the Internet and other Government agencies is via a secure gateway and is protected by a series of firewalls. The CDPP does not provide unrestricted access to the internet to all staff from desktops. Any access to sites must be approved. The CDPP provides staff with a number of internet-only terminals located in open office areas.

All internet traffic is logged and monitored and inappropriate sites blocked to all staff. The CDPP has in place an Internet Policy and provides appropriate training to all staff.