SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE

Question No. 107

Senator Trood asked the following question at the hearing on 25 May 2010:

Page 175 of PBS states '[t]he AFP has engaged the University of Queensland to develop a set of performance indicators that measures the impact of the IDG's contribution to improved international rule of law through delivery stabilisation and international capacity development operations'.

- a) Why was the University of Queensland asked to develop a set of performance indicators?
- b) When did this occur?
- c) Was the work tendered?
- d) How much money is the University of Queensland being paid to develop the set of performance indicators
- e) When is the University of Queensland expected to provide the indicators?

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

- a) The Australian Federal Police (AFP) International Deployment Group (IDG) role in international peace keeping and capacity building is of a unique nature. There was no existing performance measurement framework which the AFP could adopt to assess the performance of its activities in the off shore environment.
 - The University of Queensland was engaged to develop a performance framework as it has the independent academic expertise to design a framework that meets IDG and Whole of Government expectations for demonstration of operations performance.
- b) The project agreement was signed on 27 February 2007.
- c) The project was undertaken through an existing Deed of Standing Offer (DoSO). The DoSO resulted from an open tender process undertaken in May 2006.
- d) The project cost is \$804, 514 over four years.
- e) The project is due for completion at the end of the 2010/2011 Financial Year with all deliverables due to the AFP at the end of that period. Field-testing of some components of the framework has already been undertaken.