

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE

Question No. 112

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

AFP training:

- a) Is the program to train Iraqi police officers in Australia continuing?
- b) How many police officers have now been trained?
- c) What type of training have they undertaken?
- d) Where does the training take place?
- e) How many AFP staff are involved in the training?
- f) How much is the training costing? Have additional provisions been made in the current budget?
- g) When is the program scheduled to conclude?
- h) Has the Government considered a similar program of training for Afghani police officers?

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

- a) Yes.
- b) 158 officers.
- c) Training is provided in Forensic Science and Police Leadership; Forensic Science training over the life of the NPI includes:
 - Advanced Crime Scene Examination;
 - Laboratory Management;
 - Forensic Chemistry;
 - Forensic Biology;
 - Advanced Fingerprint Examination;
 - Advanced Firearms Identification; and
 - Bomb Data Awareness.
- d) Police Leadership training is provided by the AIPM at its Manly, NSW Campus. The Forensic training is provided in Canberra and is facilitated through:
 - Canberra Institute of Technology;
 - University of Canberra; and
 - AFP Forensics and Data Centres.
- e) This varies according to the program. Indicatively for the Forensic and Data Centres component, five fulltime staff facilitate and assist in the delivery of the project outcomes

while a further twenty-four staff provide training assistance and facilitation during various stages of the project.

- f) As at 24 June 2010, \$9,735,539 (from a \$13,724,332 budget over three years) has been expended. Expenditure is on budget and there is no requirement to seek additional funding for the program.
- g) The Project is funded until 30 June 2011.
- h) AFP training and development of the Afghan National Police is currently delivered only in Afghanistan.