

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS  
AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE

**Question No. 49**

**Senator Rhiannon asked the following question at the hearing on 30 May 2013:**

**Senator BRANDIS:** ... At the earliest point at which the Egyptian terrorist was assessed those who assessed him, whether it was DIAC or ASIO or whoever carrying out a threat assessment, would have been in a position to access the Interpol red notices and check each IMA to see whether there was a red notice out for him or her, wouldn't they?

**Mr Colvin:** I may have to take that on notice. I do not believe that DIAC would ordinarily check Interpol alerts. On this occasion, we brought it to the attention of DIAC.

**Senator BRANDIS:** You brought it to their attention? Who brought it to your attention?

**Mr Colvin:** We will double-check. Deputy Commissioner Drennan feels it was through routine checks on the names.

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

The Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security is currently conducting an inquiry into this matter and will report her findings in due course. It would not be appropriate for the AFP to comment on this matter further while the inquiry is ongoing.