

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
CRIMTRAC

Question No. 109

Senator Fisher asked the following question at the hearing on 19 October 2009:

With regards to CrimTrac's annual report;

- a) when will CrimTrac's 08-09 annual report be tabled,
- b) has the report been submitted to the Minister for Home Affairs,
- c) was any consideration given to having the report available in advance of the Senate Supplementary Estimates, and
- d) is there any reason why the 2008-09 report is yet to be made available, when the 2007-08 report was able to be provided to the Minister for Home Affairs by 17 September 2008?

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

- a) CrimTrac's Annual Report was tabled on 27 October 2009.
- b) Yes.
- c) Compiling the CrimTrac Annual Report is a lengthy process which requires input from all business units within the Agency. All attempts are made to complete this process within strict timeframes while factoring in unforeseen delays and circumstances.
- d) CrimTrac notes that the 2008/09 Annual Report was completed just prior to 24 September 2009 as compared to 17 September 2008 for the 2007/08 Report. This minor delay was as a result of the processes and circumstances for this annual report which, may vary from year to year.

CrimTrac notes that it is required to table the Report by 31 October 2009. CrimTrac has met its obligations and ensured that the Report was tabled by this date.