

**Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport**

**Budget Estimates 30 May 2013**

**Question: 149**

**Topic: Reduction in funding for sport programs**

**Asked By: Senator HUMPHRIES**

**Type of Question: RRA&T 16**

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**Senator HUMPHRIES:** Okay. But my question was: have they fully funded the programs that the Commonwealth evacuated? Have they made up the lost funding by putting the money into their own detection and education programs that the Commonwealth was previously funding? I know they are all doing more but have they actually fully compensated for the loss of those Commonwealth dollars?

**Mr Eccles:** It has not come through yet. There is a long tail to the reduction. We have allowed the sports to roll over their funding so that they can put in place the transition arrangements. I will take on notice the specifics about the extent to which it has increased but I am confident that the nature of trimming has been more than compensated by their own revenue being put into this element of the integrity work program

**Answer:**

The five National Sporting Organisations (NSOs) affected by the 2012-13 MYEFO decision of October 2012 include the Australian Football League, Australian Rugby League, Australian Rugby Union, Football Federation Australia and Cricket Australia. These NSOs have received their full 2012-13 funding allocation for illicit drug education under the Illicit Drugs in Sport (IDIS) program, and will carry forward unexpended funds from 2012-13 into 2013-14. These NSOs will be increasing their own contributions to build upon their existing programs, and to allow their illicit drug education programs to continue into the future.

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**Senator HUMPHRIES:** With respect to the 2011-12 funding, yes, I accept that. Can you say to me with confidence that after those cuts in the 2012-13 budget and MYEFO the level of testing of athletes in Australian sport did not go down?

**Mr Eccles:** Illicit drug testing?

**Senator HUMPHRIES:** Yes.

**Mr Eccles:** We will take that on notice.

**Answer:**

The funding reduction in the 2012-13 Budget and following the 2012-13 MYEFO decision of October 2012 did not directly impact on athlete testing, as the Commonwealth funding was provided for illicit drug education programs. The affected National Sporting Organisations are expected to continue their athlete testing programs from within their own resources.

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**Question: 151**

**Topic: National Integrity of Sport Unit**

**Asked By: Senator HUMPHRIES**

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**Senator Lundy:** Absolutely not, Senator Humphries. I do not think there is a correlation at all. We have described in some detail and have taken on notice other details about the nature of that budget reduction. But in the meantime there is a whole list of things that we have strengthened as we seek to harden up the environment and support sports to protect their athletes. We are very happy to go through the recent strengthening of the National Integrity of Sport Unit if you would like us to describe what those measures are.

**Senator HUMPHRIES:** Thank you but I will take that offer on notice...

**Answer:**

Following the release of the Australian Crime Commission's Project Aperiio, an additional \$1.7 million was provided to expand the capability of the National Integrity of Sport Unit (NISU).

The funding provides for the building of a more proactive integrity threat identification and assessment capability within the NISU and the provision of advisory services for sport and the government. The expanded NISU will also deliver expert assistance to individual sports to help them establish and maintain robust integrity policies.

The NISU is examining a range of issues which impact upon the integrity of Australian sport, both nationally and internationally. It is leading the national response at both the Commonwealth and state and territory levels on a range of issues including:

- co-ordinating and negotiating outcomes with states and territories to ensure a consistent national legislative approach on match-fixing through the implementation of the National Policy on Match-fixing in Sport;
- leading the Government response to the Australian Crime Commission 'Project Aperiio' report into new generation performance and image enhancing drugs and their use in professional sport in Australia;

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- building the capacity of all sports to address match-fixing and other sport integrity threats;
- developing templates for a Code of Conduct and Match-Fixing Policy as well other integrity and education tools for use by national sporting organisations;
- examining options around the development of protocols for sports science;
- engaging in international initiatives to protect the integrity of sport with organisations such as the International Olympic Committee (IOC), United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO), the Council of Europe and the Commonwealth Advisory Body on Sport (CABOS); and
- expanding networks between governments, sports, the betting industry and law enforcement agencies.

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**Question: 152**

**Topic: Funding for Cricket World Cup and Asian Cup**

**Asked By: Senator HUMPHRIES**

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**Mr Eccles:** They are very different in terms of the business models that they operate under. In terms of the Cricket World Cup, the International Cricket Council makes a significant contribution to the host organisation, the host local organising committee, whereas, for the Asian Cup, there is no such contribution made by the Asian Football Federation.

**Senator Lundy:** Senator Humphries, the Cricket World Cup, too, is also in partnership with New Zealand so that is, I think, a factor. Also these commitments were initially conveyed under the previous government so we are following up what is essentially a bi-partisan commitment to both events.

**Senator HUMPHRIES:** Okay. Could I ask you to give us a template showing both events what dollars are coming from what areas directly and indirectly for both events from the Commonwealth level. What do you understand to be the state support both direct and indirect?

**Answer:**

	<b>Asian Cup</b>	<b>Cricket World Cup</b>
<b>Commonwealth funding for the Event</b>		
Commonwealth to LOC	\$30.5 million	Nil
Indirect funding (to agencies)*	\$70.2 million	
<b>State funding for the Event</b>		
State Governments to LOC	\$30.5 million	Unknown
Indirect funding	Unknown	Unknown

Note:

\* Funding to agencies for the implementation of Government Guarantees should be considered in aggregate as the provision for the Cricket World Cup (\$14.5m) was determined with consideration of the funding already provisioned for the Asian Cup (\$55.7m) and the opportunity to leverage effectiveness between the two events.

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**Question: 153**

**Topic: Breakdown of Funding for Asian Cup v Cricket World Cup**

**Senator: Senator HUMPHRIES**

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**Senator HUMPHRIES:** You cannot tell me how that \$55.7 million breaks up in terms of the agencies as between what they are doing to support the Asian World Cup versus the Cricket World Cup?

**Mr Eccles:** No. We will take it on notice. It has been some time since Australia has hosted a multicity major event like this. In there is nothing in recent times that is commensurate to it. The funding that came on for the Asian Cup for these agencies was first. They, by necessity, had to build up a particular capability. The flow-on funding they required to deliver their guarantees for cricket was going to be less because of the established capability that was able to be derived from the initial injection of funding, if that makes sense.

**Answer:**

<b>Agency</b>	<b>Asian Cup</b>
Attorney-General's Department (AGD)	\$5.3 million
Australian Federal Police (AFP)	\$45.0 million
Australian Customs and Border Protection Service	\$0.5 million
Australian Security Intelligence Organisation (ASIO)	\$2.8 million
Dept of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC)	(\$2.1 million)
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	\$4.2 million
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$55.7 million</b>

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**Note:**

This funding was originally provided for implementation of the Asian Cup guarantees. However, once the Cricket World Cup guarantees were signed much of this work could be extended, at minimum additional cost, to also cover the Cricket World Cup. Accordingly, funding to agencies for the implementation of the Cricket World Cup guarantees is lower (\$14.5 million).

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**Topic: Funding to IP Australia for Asian Cup**

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**Senator HUMPHRIES:** Okay. My last question is: how much are you putting into IP Australia for the Asian Cup?

**Ms Beauchamp:** For the Asian Cup?

**Mr Eccles:** We would have to take it on notice, Senator.

**Answer:**

IP Australia did not receive any funding for the delivery of Asian Cup.