

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL  
AFFAIRS**

**AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE**

**Question on Notice from Senator Ludwig**

The AFP has identified that there are seven matters concerning the activities of companies that have been referred to the AFP for investigation for alleged breaches of domestic laws relating to UN sanctions. Please provide an update in relation to these matters. Have these investigations been finalised?

**Answer**

The seven matters referred to the AFP for investigation have been finalised.

There was no evidence to support criminal charges in any of the matters.

The AFP investigations established that regulatory offences under the Customs Act 1901 may have existed for some of the matters. However this regulatory offence is subject to a five year statute of limitations and this time period had expired prior to referral of the matters to the AFP.

One matter where a regulatory offence may exist has been referred to the Australian Customs Service for appropriate action.