

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
AUSTRALIAN COMMISSION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT INTEGRITY

Question No. 76

Senator Brandis asked the following question at the hearing on 24 May 2012:

Is the Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity currently investigating any matters in respect of the Australian Customs and Border Protection Service; if so, what is the nature of the investigations, and when did they commence?

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

As at 24 May 2012, nine corruption issues relating to Customs and Border Protection were being investigated by the Integrity Commissioner. Four of these investigations were commenced on 10 January 2011. The others were commenced on 16 March 2011, 1 September 2011, 21 October 2011, 8 May 2012 and 15 May 2012 respectively.

Each investigation concerns either information or an allegation that a staff member or members may have engaged in conduct that involves an abuse of office and/or conduct that, having regard to the duties and powers of a staff member, may involve corruption of any other kind. Since these investigations are current, it would not be appropriate to comment further.