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Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works

New inquiry

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Australian Federal Police to enhance security

The Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works today announced that it is conducting an inquiry into the Australian Federal Police's proposed security enhancement work at eight facilities around the country.

Following an assessment of potential vulnerabilities at its facilities undertaken by the AFP in 2015-16, a number of improvements to security were found to be necessary to provide the appropriate level of protection for staff. Particularly in light of recent attacks on police stations in Sydney and Adelaide, enhancements to the APF's ability to protect staff from harm and respond to security situations are a major component of the works.

The proposed works will be undertaken at eight sites across Australia, including Canberra, Sydney, Melbourne, Perth, Brisbane and Adelaide, with work to be completed by December 2017.

The estimated cost of the project is \$39 million and it is anticipated that the Committee will conduct public and in-camera hearings for the inquiry in the near future.

Further information on how to make submission is available on the [Committee's website](#). Details of the public hearing to be held in Canberra will be made available soon.

Submissions to the inquiry close on 18 November 2016.

NB the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works is neither involved in the tendering process nor the awarding of contracts. Enquiries on those matters should be addressed to the Australian Federal Police.

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