

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS  
ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S PORTFOLIO**

**Program: Australian Federal Police**

**Question No. AE17/030**

**Senator Pratt asked the following question at the hearing on 28 February 2017:**

Senator WATT: Yes. So just returning quickly to the issue of what your budget papers say are federal policing and national security expenses, there is a budget cut as currently proposed of about \$100 million. And you have mentioned part of that is about the transfer of the—was it called the CrimTrac service?

Mr Colvin: The criminal history service.

Senator WATT: Criminal history service. But those comments you made about the Solomons: they are more applicable to the budget cuts under the international police assistance line item, if you like. Is that correct?

Mr Wood: You are correct. We took on notice to go through line by line what all the ons and offs are. I will make sure that those are actually under each of the headings. I apologise. You are quite right; I gave an answer to the whole-of-AFP budget.

Senator WATT: I understand you were talking about it in a different sense, but I just wanted to clarify that.

Commissioner, thank you for taking on notice the request for some detail there. Are you able to advise the committee of any operations that are funded under your federal policing and national security line items that will cease as a result of these budget cuts?

Mr Colvin: Yes, we do. The National Anti-Gang Taskforce funding will lapse in that period.

Senator WATT: How much is that one, do you know?

Mr Wood: In 2016-17 it is a reduction of \$6.3 million, but, again, we will get the full forward estimates in the more complete answer we give you.

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Mr Wood: National anti-gangs, the joint police task force in relation to registered organisations commission, the trade union royal commission. We have funding for protecting the AFP, that was announced in recent budgets. That money was spent on enhancing the hardening up of our buildings et cetera. Therefore it drops off the budget in out years. We will go through and specify which years and which amounts, but those are just four examples.

Senator PRATT: Would you provide the list of programs and when they expire.

Mr Wood: Yes. Those are four examples of the specific measures that do terminate in the forward estimates.

Senator PRATT: Thank you.

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

The departmental appropriation funding between 2016-17 and 2019-20 is comprised of:

Appropriation Measure	Program	Expire	Movement Between			
			2016-17 and 2017- 18 \$'000	2017-18 and 2018- 19 \$'000	2018-19 and 2019- 20 \$'000	
Addressing gang violence and organised crime - National Anti-Gang Taskforce, Gang Intelligence Centre and Criminal Assets Confiscation Taskforce	1.1	30/06/2017	(13,065)	-	-	
Official development assistance - Regional Assistance Mission to Solomon Islands - continuation	1.2	30/06/2017	(62,993)	-	-	
Papua New Guinea Incentive Package - Law and Order	1.2	30/06/2017	(33,799)	-	-	
Timor-Leste Police Development Programme	1.2	30/06/2018	(756)	(5,648)	-	
Extension of the Northern Territory Child Abuse Taskforce	1.1	30/06/2018	(59)	(794)	-	
Foreign Fighters	1.1	Ongoing	147	-	-	
Parliament House	1.1	Ongoing	28	-	-	
Commonwealth Parliamentary Offices	1.1	Ongoing	22	-	-	
Close Personal Protection	1.1	Ongoing	(3,251)	-	71	
Data Centre Transition Phase 1 (fully offset within AFP resources)	1.1	30/06/2019	-	-	-	
Trade Union Royal Commission	1.1	31/12/2016	(2,988)	-	-	
Enhanced Protective Security for Law Enforcement Agencies	1.1	30/06/2020	(2,976)	(837)	(101)	
Cyber Security	1.1	30/06/2020	2,249	36	58	
Enhanced Protective Security Arrangements Further Funding	1.1	Ongoing	1,346	(3,391)	43	
Data Centre Transition Phase 2 (Fully offset within AFP resources)	1.1	30/06/2019	-	-	-	
Unified Operational Communications - Phase 1 (Fully offset within AFP resources)	1.1	30/06/2020	-	-	-	
Continuation of the Joint Police Taskforce for the Registered Organisations Commission (ROC)	1.1	30/06/2020	2,914	(26)	10	
Keeping Illegal Guns off our Streets and our Communities Safe	1.1	31/12/2019	19,681	(405)	(22,097)	
Minor Adjustments to WoG and AFP Specific Savings Measures	1.1, 1.2		4,211	893	6,545	
Efficiency Dividend Impact	1.1, 1.2		(21,363)	(17,306)	(13,469)	
WCI Adjustments	1.1, 1.2		10,428	12,077	12,862	
			<b>(100,224)</b>	<b>(15,401)</b>	<b>(16,078)</b>	
			<b>2016-17</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>2019-20</b>
<b>Departmental Appropriation per AGD PAES page 62</b>			<b>1,024,804</b>	<b>924,581</b>	<b>909,180</b>	<b>893,102</b>

The figures are accurate as of PAES tabled in Parliament on 9 February 2017