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Senator Bilyk asked the following question at the hearing on 20 November 2014:

Senator BILYK: Are you able to tell me what the criteria were that the tenders were assessed against in terms of international standards?

Mr Crossweller: No, we cannot, Senator, in a public hearing because of the sensitivity and the nature of the vehicles and the protection that they are providing.

Senator BILYK: Can you give me that on notice?

Mr Crossweller: We could give you that on notice, yes.

Senator BILYK: I would appreciate that.

CHAIR: If they are on notice, they are public. So, if there is some sensitivity, you might have to see if the minister would agree to our private briefing of Senator Bilyk, if it were vital. I guess that this is, sort of, bombproof cars, is it?

Senator BILYK: It is.

Mr Crossweller: Yes, Senator. It relates to blast and ballistic protection, but we would not be able to brief any further than that in a public sense. We could give you a private briefing, Senator, if you wished to have one.

Senator BILYK: Okay, I will certainly take you up on that.

CHAIR: Should they brief the committee?

Senator BILYK: I am happy for that, yes, more than happy.

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

AGD provided a private briefing on these matters on 11 December 2014.