

SENATE LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
AUSTRALIAN CRIME COMMISSION

Question No. 68

Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 14 February 2006:

Can the ACC provide a timeline detailing the following:

- a) The date on which each current ACC IT project was proposed, and the date by which it was originally intended to be implemented
- b) The dates on which any design or functionality changes made to the IT project were made
- c) What were the originally estimated recurrent costs associated with the project?
- d) What are the current recurrent costs associated with the project
- e) The dates on which any trials to the IT project were conducted, and when they ended.
- f) The dates on which any reviews of the IT projects, or trials were conducted and when they were finalised
- g) The dates any ACC IT projects were implemented, and any functionality changes were put in place
- h) The dates on which any IT project had its funding increased, also by how much and the reason for the increase.
- i) The initial cost and current actual cost of each IT project.
- j) The traffic for each IT project over the previous twelve months.
- k) The number of staff allocated to the development of each IT project, and when any staff were added to the development of the IT project, or removed from the development of the IT project.

The answers to the honourable senator's questions are as follows:

Responses to each of the questions are provided in the attached table.

Question	ALERT	Standard Information Exchange Format (SIEF)	Enhanced Document Management	Data Interception	Routine ICT Hardware Refresh	Video Conferencing	Secure Remote Access
a) The date on which each current ACC IT project was proposed, and the date by which it was originally intended to be implemented	Proposed Date 1 Jul 2002 Expected Completion 30 Jun 2006	Proposed Date Mar 2005 Expected Completion Jun 2007	Proposed Date Nov 2005 Expected Completion Dec 2006	Proposed Date Jan 2005 Expected Completion Dec 2005	Proposed Date Nov 2004 Expected Completion Jun 2007	Proposed Date Oct 2005 Expected Completion Mar 2006	Proposed Date Sep 2005 Expected Completion Mar 2006
b) The dates on which any design or functionality changes made to the IT project were made	No changes have been considered or made	No changes have been considered or made	No changes have been considered or made	No changes have been considered or made	No changes have been considered or made	No changes have been considered or made	No changes have been considered or made
c) What were the originally estimated recurrent costs associated with the project?	\$3.9m / annum non indexed	\$0.420m / annum non indexed	\$0.070m / annum non indexed	\$0.170m / annum non indexed	Nil	\$0.050m / annum non indexed	\$0.050m / annum non indexed
d) What are the current recurrent costs associated with the project	\$3.9m / annum non indexed	\$0.420m / annum non indexed	\$0.070m / annum non indexed	\$0.170m / annum non indexed	Nil	Nil	Nil
e) The dates on which any trials to the IT project were conducted, and when they ended.	ACIF Internal Review Jan 06 – Threat & Risk Assessment Nov 2003	No trials have yet been conducted	No trials have yet been conducted	Apr to Jun 2005 User Trial Aug 2005 Hardware and Software Integration.	No trials were conducted.	Nov 05 - Dec 05 Technical feasibility	Dec 05 – Feb 06 Technical feasibility

				Jan 06 Users Trial			
f) The dates on which any reviews of the IT projects, or trials were conducted and when they were finalised	No reviews have been conducted	No reviews have been conducted	No reviews have been conducted	No reviews have been conducted	No reviews have been conducted	Review of trial Jan 06	Review of trial Feb 06
g) The dates any ACC IT projects were implemented, and any functionality changes were put in place	The Project is within the implementation phase and no functionality changes have been put in place.	The Project is within the implementation phase and no functionality changes have been put in place.	The Project is within the implementation phase and no functionality changes have been put in place.	Implemented Dec 2005 with no functionality changes put in place.	The Project is within the implementation phase and no functionality changes have been put in place.	The Project is within the implementation phase and no functionality changes have been put in place.	The Project is within the implementation phase and no functionality changes have been put in place.
h) The dates on which any IT project had its funding increased, also by how much and the reason for the increase.	No increases have been applied	No increases have been applied	No increases have been applied	No increases were applied	No increases have been applied.	No increases have been applied.	No increases have been applied.
i) The initial cost and current actual cost of each IT project.	Initial Cost \$11.000m No cost revision have occurred	Initial Cost \$6.600m No cost revision have occurred	Initial Cost \$1.030m No cost revision have occurred	Initial Cost \$0.251m No cost revision have occurred	Initial Cost \$1.957m Current Actual Cost \$1.902m	Initial Cost \$0.150m Current Actual Cost \$0.110m	Initial Cost \$0.150m Current Actual Cost \$0.080m
j) The traffic for	ALIEN	Nil at this time	Nil at this time	21737 files	600 Users	Nil at this time	Nil at this

each IT project over the previous twelve months.	Users 9533 ACID Users 4858 105932 Uploads into ACID 459471 Searches on ACID			received to date (since 30 th January 2006)			time
k) The number of staff allocated to the development of each IT project, and when any staff were added to the development of the IT project, or removed from the development of the IT project.	10 Staff 7 on Oct 02 3 on May 03 1 off Dec 05	Recruitment in progress	Recruitment in progress	2 Staff Jan 2005 to Dec 2005	1 Staff Dec 2004	2 Staff Oct 2006 to Mar 2006	3 Staff Sep 2005 to Mar 2006

1. Relationship between Q i) & k) – note that budgets recorded do not include Salaries
2. There may be some inconsistency in the budget figures offered with regard to inclusion/exclusion of GST.
3. For j) the Committee clarified the term ‘traffic’ as the amount of use each system gets – the number of users, the number of searches each system performs.

Cost of providing answers to these questions.

EL2 (Equivalent)	3hrs @ \$n/hour	=	\$
APS4	5hrs @ \$n/hour	=	\$