

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS  
AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE

**Question No. 80**

**Senator Heffernan asked the following question at the hearing on 23 May 2007:**

a) In 2002, the Foreign Minister Mr Downer announced (immediately after the Bali bombing) a number of capacity building initiatives. One of those initiatives was a \$4.7 million dollar, 4 year project to establish a Transnational Crime Coordination Centre in Jakarta. This project was administered by the AFP.

Now that the 4 years have expired can the Commissioner advise on the outcome of the project with particular reference to the success of the project, the expenditure, the extent of the capacity building programmes and the benefit to Australian law enforcement?

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

a) The Indonesia National Police (INP) Transnational Crime Coordination Centre (TNCC) Project has the following successful outcomes;

- The development of a transnational crime coordination capacity within the INP with a primary focus on enhancing Indonesia's counter terrorism capacity as well as other transnational crime types including people smuggling, narcotics and identity fraud.
- Strengthened knowledge and skills in the area of counter terrorism;
  - Through the delivery of Intelligence Analysis and Surveillance training courses to over 100 INP staff; and
  - The TNCC has developed linkages with other INP transnational crime investigative directorates. A number of joint intelligence projects have commenced focused at terrorism, illicit drug trafficking and people smuggling.
- Institutional strengthening of the TNCC through;
  - The fit-out of the new TNCC premises; and
  - The INP have confirmed the staffing and organisational structure of the TNCC and are committed to providing approximately 100 staff to the TNCC to address all eight crime types.
- Enhanced INP capability in the management of criminal information through;
  - The establishment and development of a INP Case Management and Intelligence System (CMIS) which has been rolled out in all 31 police provinces within Indonesia, giving the INP a national database for the first time;
  - The AFP working with the INP TNCC to enhance their intelligence product. The TNCC has produced 17 Intelligence Assessments on an array of transnational crime topics; and

- The deployment of an AFP Intelligence Advisor to the TNCC. This position is an ongoing provision of support by the AFP providing mentoring to TNCC personnel and introducing measures to sustain the TNCC over the long term.

Currently a final project review is being undertaken and initial indications are the project has been delivered within budget. A final Steering Committee Meeting will be conducted in August 2007 and will address the long term sustainability of the INP TNCC.

The INP TNCC has established a capacity for the conduct of joint investigations between Australia and Indonesia on transnational crime providing a significant benefit to Australian law enforcement.