SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS CRIMTRAC

Question No. 101

Senator Barnett asked the following question at the hearing on 27 May 2009:

In relation to the feasibility study of national case management, provide the terms of reference for the study.

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

The National Case Management feasibility study does not contain 'Terms of Reference', in the strict sense, but does detail the study's scope and objectives. These provide the parameters within which the study is to be conducted.

Objective

The feasibility study will explore the viability of advancing a common approach to sharing incident and event information nationally to support:

- a national view of incidents;
- identification of links between incidents; and
- cross-border investigations.

Scope

Inclusions

March to September 2009:

- High level analysis of stakeholders and drivers;
- High level analysis of the business environment;
- High level analysis of the IT environment;
- External environment scan;
- Development of a blueprint; and
- Report progress to the CrimTrac Board of Management in September (Critical Milestone).

Post September 2009 (with Board endorsement):

- Impact Assessments Privacy, Legislation and Technology;
- Detailed analysis of stakeholders, business and IT;
- Identification of options, with a report on relative benefits, costs and implementation considerations; and
- Feasibility Report to the Board of Management.

Exclusions

- Development of a capability;
- Development of new processes and procedures.

If National Case Management is identified as feasible, further work would be subject to a business case and would be undertaken as a separate initiative.