SENATE LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATION COMMITTEE CRIMTRAC

Question No. 144

Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 31 October 2005:

Regarding the National Vehicles of Interest scoping study of 2002-03:

- a) What proposals were originally brought up in the National Vehicles of Interest scoping study that have yet to be implemented?
 - (i) Are you able to provide a complete list of the recommendations or areas of work that were brought up in this study?
- b) Since the annual report, have you been able to progress the work identified in this study?
 - (i) If so, what additional work has been progressed? Is there a timeframe for the implementation of the study?
- c) Were any funds allocated to this project in 04-05?
 - (i) If so, were they transferred to another area of CrimTrac?
 - (ii) If so, which one?
 - (iii) If not, why not?
 - (iv) If not, why not?
 - (v) Have any been allocated for 05-06?

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

- a) None of the proposals brought up in the National Vehicles of Interest Scoping Study (titled Nation-wide Vehicles, Owners and Drivers Project Scoping Study) have been formally endorsed, progressed or implemented by CrimTrac or the jurisdictions.
- (i) The NVOI study identified deficiencies in information available to police when dealing with vehicles and drivers from another jurisdiction. The study recommended a three phase project approach to address these deficiencies in order to provide all police on a nation-wide basis with:
 - Selected transport information for all Australian vehicles, owners and drivers
 - Selected police information in addition to National Exchange of Vehicle and Driver Information System (NEVDIS) transport information for all Australian vehicles, owners and drivers, and
 - Comprehensive police and transport information for all Australian vehicles, owners and drivers.
- b) No. Given the priority of effort to the MNPP, ANCOR and NHBSS projects, CrimTrac and police jurisdictions were not in a position to progress this work.
 - (i) Not applicable.
- c) No.
 - (i) Not applicable.
 - (ii) Not applicable.
 - (iii) The CrimTrac Board of Management has assigned this project a lower priority than completing MNPP.
 - (iv) As above.
 - (v) No.