

SENATE LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS SERVICE

Question No. 211

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

Recommendation 1 of the ANAO CEF Report.

- a) Could you indicate how much progress has been made on the development of the new system?
- b) Is there a timeframe for the development of this system?
- c) Could you please provide a copy of the timeframe, including...
 - (i) When the system began development
 - (ii) When the system is intended to be operational
 - (iii) The dates of any intended trial phases of the system, and whether these trial phases were completed
 - (iv) The number of staff allocated to the system, the dates on which any of them were transferred, and why they were transferred.
- d) Have all key dates been met so far?
 - (i) If not, which ones have not been met and why?

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

- a) The system developed to meet Recommendation 1 is in Production.
- b) Yes.
- c)
 - (i) The planning stage for this system commenced in May 2005.
 - (ii) Refer to the response to Question on Notice 211 (a) above and Question on Notice 210(d)(i).
 - (iii) Three phases of User Acceptance Testing were conducted on 06-07, 08-21 and 20-26 October 2005. All of these phases were completed.
 - (iv) Four staff were involved in the development of the system. None were transferred.
- d) Refer to the response to Question on Notice 210(d)(i).
 - (i) Not applicable.