

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS  
ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

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**Question No. 68**

**Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 31 October 2006:**

With reference to page 119 of the Annual Report and regarding the Critical Infrastructure Protection Modelling and Analysis Program, can the Department please outline:

- (a) Whether this program interacts with the National Spatial Information for National Security program? Does it make use of the Spatial information program?
- (b) If so, how are the two linked in terms of (i) program development; or (ii) actual operation? If not, why not?

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

- (a) Yes to both aspects of the questions.
- (b) (i) The National Spatial Information for National Security program (NSINS) strategic plan incorporates the Critical Infrastructure Protection Modelling and Analysis (CIPMA) Program and CIPMA personnel regularly attend NSINS meetings. The CIPMA Program recognises and supports the imperatives of NSINS.  
  
(ii) It is envisaged that the CIPMA Program will be a key component of the national spatial information capability.