I appeared before the Committee last Thursday 27th in my capacity as Director of The Australian Federation of International Forwarders and was asked if I could provide some additional information to the committee as follows:

1) An estimated cost of duty deferral.

I have attached a spreadsheet with the calculations that the Accredited Client Program pilot partners made in respect of the cost of duty deferral along with notes as to the assumptions made. My understanding is that this equates closely with the estimates Customs made.

2) Any specific information on the date on which the ICS would support the Request for Cargo Release and Periodic Declaration needed for the ACP to operate.

I have checked with the other pilot partners and am not aware of any specific information.

I trust the information is of assistance. Please do not hesitate to contact should you require any clarification of the information provided.

Regards, Paul

Paul Angel - Director