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13 September 2017

The Hon Michael Keenan MP Minister for Justice House of Representatives Parliament House Canberra ACT 2600

The Australian Federal Police (AFP), the Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity (ACLEI) and the Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission (ACIC) are pleased to submit the *Controlled Operations* annual report 2016–17.

Pursuant to section 15HN, Part IAB, of the *Crimes Act 1914*, the report sets out the details required by subsections 15HM(2), (2A), (2B) and (2C) in relation to controlled operations for which the Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity, the Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission, and the Australian Federal Police were the authorising agencies between 1 July 2016 and 30 June 2017 inclusive.

A copy of this report is to be tabled in each house of parliament within 15 sitting days of your receiving it. Yours sincerely

Andrew Colvin APM OAM Commissioner Australian Federal Police Michael Griffin AM Integrity Commissioner Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity Nicole Rose PSM A/Chief Executive Officer Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

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INTRODUCTION

The *Controlled Operations annual report 2016–17* is the 21st issued under Part IAB of the *Crimes Act 1914* (the Act).

Controlled operations are investigations carried out within a legal framework that balances the need for operational flexibility with appropriate public accountability. Part IAB of the Act was designed to permit certain law enforcement agencies to undertake covert activity which would, in the absence of legislation, constitute an offence against the Commonwealth or that of a state or territory.

Controlled operations permit law enforcement agencies to use covert and coercive powers to uncover and interdict criminal activity and dismantle transnational organised crime syndicates. The offences investigated using this method cover a broad spectrum ranging from corruption, money laundering and importation of illicit goods and substances to terrorism, people smuggling and cybercrime.

The 2016–17 reporting period shows continued success through the seizures of border controlled drugs and precursor chemicals for the Australian Federal Police (AFP). One controlled operation saw the seizure of over 500 kilograms of methamphetamine, with a total street value of approximately \$324 million. The controlled operation regime has also been integral to the successful outcome of multiple terrorism-related investigations the AFP has undertaken.

The Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission (ACIC) conducts special investigations and intelligence operations into federally relevant criminal activity, including large-scale and organised serious offences such as drug trafficking and money laundering. Controlled operations form a fundamental part of the Commission's operational methodologies, resulting in interventions such as arrests and seizures, and securing valuable evidence for prosecutions. The ACIC also works with its partner law enforcement agencies, using the unique intelligence derived from its controlled operations to support joint operations, and to generate compelling insights into criminal syndicates and their activities.

A note on nomenclature: on 1 July 2016, the Australian Crime Commission (ACC) became known as the Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission (ACIC). This annual report refers to controlled operations authorities that were issued before that date but remained active within the 2016-17 reporting year, as well as those that were issued on or after the 1 July 2016. The included reports therefore make reference to both the ACC and ACIC.

The use of controlled operations by the Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity (ACLEI) enables the agency to obtain evidence of offences related to law enforcement corruption.

The controlled operations in this report authorised by 'authorised officers' defined in the Act highlight the cooperation between national and international law enforcement agencies and their success in disrupting the activities of organised crime syndicates and illicit commodity flows. The seizure of illicit goods and proceeds of crime and the subsequent arrest of offenders demonstrate that Australia is committed to combating organised crime and will not be seen as an easy target for such activities.

GUIDE TO THIS REPORT

This year's report provides details of controlled operations in accordance with the reporting requirements of both the current and the previous legislation.

Part A describes the requirements of the current legislation.

Part B describes the requirements of the legislation in effect until 18 February 2010 that still applies to some matters.

Part A. Current legislative requirements

Crimes Act 1914

On 19 February 2010 the *Crimes Legislation Amendment (Serious and Organised Crime) Act 2010* (Cth) received royal assent. This Act provided amendments related to controlled operations Part IAB of the *Crimes Act 1914* (the Act).

Controlled operations can be undertaken with respect to any serious Commonwealth offence or serious state offence that has a federal aspect.

A **controlled operation** is defined by the Act as one that:

- 1. involves the participation of law enforcement officers and
- 2. is carried out for the purpose of obtaining evidence that may lead to the prosecution of a person for a serious Commonwealth offence or a serious state offence that has a federal aspect and
- may involve a law enforcement officer or other person in conduct that would, apart from section 15HA, constitute a Commonwealth offence or an offence against a law of a state or territory.

A serious Commonwealth offence means an offence against a law of the Commonwealth that:

- involves: theft; fraud; tax evasion; currency violations; controlled substances; illegal gambling; obtaining financial benefit by vice engaged in by others; extortion; money laundering; perverting the course of justice; bribery or corruption of, or by, an officer of the Commonwealth, of a state or of a territory; bankruptcy and company violations; harbouring of criminals; forgery (including forging of passports); armament dealings; illegal importation or exportation of fauna into or out of Australia; espionage, sabotage or threats to national security; misuse of a computer or electronic communications; people smuggling; slavery; piracy; the organisation, financing or perpetration of sexual servitude or child sex tourism; dealings in child pornography or material depicting child abuse; importation of prohibited imports; exportation of prohibited exports; violence or firearms; or that involves a matter that is of the same general nature as a matter aforementioned or
- 2. is punishable on conviction by imprisonment for a period of three years or more.

A **major controlled operation** is a controlled operation that is likely to:

- involve the infiltration of an organised criminal group by one or more undercover law enforcement officers for a period of more than seven days or
- 2. continue for more than three months or
- 3. be directed against suspected criminal activity that includes a threat to life.

Authorisation of controlled operations

Section 15GH relates to applications for authorities to conduct controlled operations.

A formal application for an authority may be made by an Australian law enforcement officer by means of a written document

An urgent application may be made orally, in person, or by telephone, or any other means of communication. An urgent application must be followed up in writing within seven days.

Determination of applications

- 1. An authorising officer may, after considering an application for an authority to conduct a controlled operation and any additional information provided under subsection 15GH(5):
 - a. authorise the controlled operation by granting the authority, either unconditionally or subject to conditions or
 - b. refuse the application.
- 2. An authorising officer must not grant an authority to conduct a controlled operation unless the authorising officer is satisfied on reasonable grounds that:
 - a. a serious Commonwealth offence or a serious state offence that has a federal aspect has been, is being, or is likely to be, committed and
 - b. the nature and extent of the suspected criminal activity are such as to justify the conduct of a controlled operation and
 - c. any unlawful conduct involved in conducting the controlled operation will be limited to the maximum extent consistent with conducting an effective controlled operation and
 - d. the operation will be conducted in a way that ensures that, to the maximum extent possible, any illicit goods involved in the controlled operation will be under the control of an Australian law enforcement officer at the end of the controlled operation and
 - e. the proposed controlled conduct will be capable of being accounted for in a way that will enable compliance with the reporting requirements of Division 4 and
 - f. the controlled operation will not be conducted in such a way that a person is likely to be induced to commit a Commonwealth offence or an offence against a law of a state or territory that the person would not otherwise have intended to commit and
 - g. any conduct involved in the controlled operation will not:
 - i. seriously endanger the health or safety of any person or
 - ii. cause the death of, or serious injury to, any person or
 - iii. involve the commission of a sexual offence against any person or
 - iv. result in significant loss of, or serious damage to, property (other than illicit goods) and
 - h. any role assigned to a civilian participant in the operation is not one that could be adequately performed by a law enforcement officer.

Controlled operation authorities

Section 15GK stipulates the form and content of a controlled operation authority. The requirements include the name of the applicant, certain information concerning the illicit goods, identity of persons authorised to engage in controlled conduct and the nature of the criminal activity the controlled operation is targeting.

Section 15GC of the Act describes the principal law enforcement officer as the Australian law enforcement officer specified in the authority who is responsible for the conduct of the controlled operation.

Period of effect

An urgent controlled operation authority can remain in force only for a maximum of seven days.

A formal or major controlled operation authority may be in force for up to three months and is deemed to expire at the end of three months from the date it was given unless a variation application to extend the authority is made within the last two weeks of the period of effect.

The variation application to extend the period of effect of a formal or major controlled operation authority beyond three months must be presented to a nominated Administrative Appeals Tribunal member, who may extend the period of effect for up to three months at a time. However, the total period of effect for a formal or major controlled operation authority cannot exceed 24 months.

Variations to the authority

Variation of authority under section 15GO by an appropriate authorising officer may:

- 1. extend the period of effect of the authority (subject to subsections (3) and (4) of section 15GO) or
- authorise additional persons to engage in controlled conduct for the purposes of the controlled operation and specify:
 - a. with respect to additional law enforcement participants the nature of the controlled conduct that those participants may engage in and
 - b. with respect to additional civilian participants the particular controlled conduct (if any) that each such participant may engage in or
- provide that specified persons are no longer authorised to engage in controlled conduct for the purposes of the controlled operation or
- authorise participants in the controlled operation to engage in additional or alternative controlled conduct.

A nominated Administrative Appeals Tribunal member may extend a formal controlled operation by extensions of three months at a time up to a maximum of 24 months.

Cancellation of authority

An appropriate authorising officer may, by order in writing given to the principal law enforcement officer for a controlled operation, cancel the authority to conduct the controlled operation at any time and for any reason.

Reporting requirements

Six-monthly reports to the Minister and Ombudsman

Section 15HM requires that as soon as practicable after 30 June and 31 December in each year, the chief officer of each authorising agency must submit a report to the Ombudsman. The report sets out the details required by section 15HM(2) in relation to controlled operations the authorising agency was responsible for during the previous six months. A copy of the 15HM report is also provided to the Minister.

Chief officers' annual report to the Minister and Ombudsman

Section 15HN requires that as soon as practicable after 30 June in each year, the Chief Officer of each authorising agency must submit a report to the Minister setting out the details required by subsections 15HM(2), (2A), (2B) and (2C) in relation to controlled operations for which the agency was the authorising agency during the previous 12 months. A copy of a report given to the Minister under section 15HN must be given to the Ombudsman at the same time as it is given to the Minister.

The Australian Federal Police (AFP) prepared the *Controlled Operations annual report 2016–17* in consultation with the Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission and the Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity.

Material excluded from reporting

In accordance with subsection 15HN(2) of the Act, the Minister is required to exclude from the annual report information that, if made public, could reasonably be expected to:

- 1. endanger a person's safety or
- 2. prejudice an investigation or prosecution or
- 3. compromise any law enforcement agency's operational activities or methodologies or
- 4. be contrary to the public interest for any other reason.

Part B. Historic legislative requirements

On 8 July 1996 the Commonwealth Parliament passed legislation to provide for the conduct of controlled operations by Australian law enforcement agencies.

The following legislative references are to sections of the Act in force until 18 February 2010.

Under the now repealed section 15T of the Act, the Minister was required to lay before each house of parliament, not later than the first sitting day of the House after 1 October each year, a report on controlled operations.

Details to be provided include the date on which the application was made, the decision taken about the application, the reasons for that decision and the information in reports given to the Minister under section 15R during that financial year.

Material excluded from reporting

In accordance with the now repealed subsection $_{15}T(3)$ of the Act, the annual report is not to include any information about any person (including the person's name) that has not already been published about that person.

If the Minister is of the view that it is likely that the inclusion of any information in a report provided by the Commissioner of the AFP, the Integrity Commissioner or the Chief Executive Officer of the ACC may:

- endanger the safety of a person or
- 2. prejudice an investigation or prosecution,

the Minister must exclude the information from the report under subsection 15T(4) of the Act.

If excluded under subsection 15T(4) in the report laid before each house of parliament, the information is to be published in the first report after the Minister considers that the information will no longer endanger the safety of a person or prejudice the investigation or prosecution.

SHORTENED FORMS

AAT Administrative Appeals Tribunal

ACLEI Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity

ACIC Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

AFP Australian Federal Police

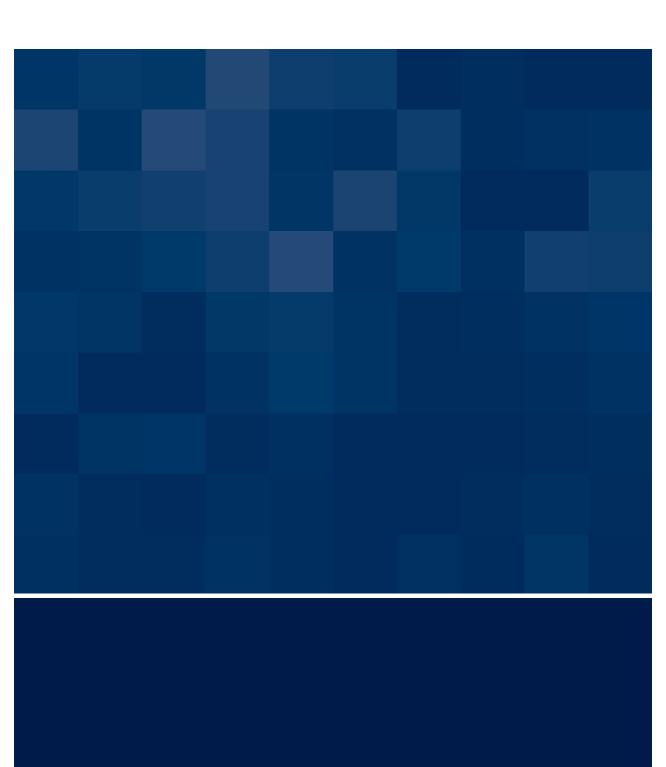
Customs Australian Customs and Border Protection Service

ADDITIONAL MATTERS

The illicit goods detailed in this report have not been destroyed unless the contrary is indicated. Drug weights detailed in this report are gross weights unless the contrary is indicated.



SCHEDULE 1 AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL POLICE CURRENT REPORTING PERIOD



Information withheld under the Crimes Act

Subsections 15HN(2), 15HN(4) and, in the case of operations prior to March 2010, the repealed subsections 15T(3) and 15T(4) of the Crimes Act require that reporting of controlled operations exclude information that could, if made public, endanger a person's safety, prejudice an investigation or prosecution, compromise any law enforcement agency's modus operandi, be contrary to the public interest or identify any person involved in an operation. When it is no longer necessary to exclude this information, it is published in a subsequent annual report (see Schedule 2).

Excluded information

AFP operations fully excluded

07–08/50				
08-09/17	08-09/26	08-09/38		
09-10/06				
15-16/105	15-16/116	15-16/158	15-16/177	15-16/192
16-17/03	16-17/29	16-17/35	16-17/37	16-17/39
16-17/57	16-17/63	16-17/69	16-17/71	16-17/74
16-17/89	16-17/98	16-17/110	16-17/131	

AFP operations partly excluded

16-17/	09	16-17/	¹ 15	16-17	7/16

Previously excluded information published in 2016-17

AFP operations fully excluded – now reported in full

15-16/72	15-16/130	15-16/161	15-16/170	15-16/171
15-16/182	15-16/183	15-16/190	15-16/196	15-16/199
15-16/205	15-16/206	15-16/209	15-16/214	15-16/215
15-16/216	15-16/217	15-16/218	15-16/219	15-16/220
15-16/221	15-16/222	15-16/223		

AFP operations partly excluded – now reported in full

Nil

AFP operations fully excluded – now reported in part

15-16/195

QUANTITATIVE SUMMARY

Subsection 15HM(1) of the Crimes Act stipulates that as soon as practicable after 31 December and 30 June in each financial year the chief officer of each authorising agency must submit a report to the Ombudsman setting out the details required by subsection 15HM(2). The following table sets out these details for 2016–17.

Provision	Details Required	Number
Subsection	Formal authorities that were:	
15HM(2)(a)	granted by an AFP authorising officer during the period:	123
	varied by an AFP authorising officer during the period:	39
Subsection	Formal applications for formal authorities refused by an AFP	
15HM(2)(b)	authorising officer during the period:	0
Subsection	Formal variation applications for variation of formal authorities	
15HM(2)(c)	refused by an AFP authorising officer:	0
	Urgent variation applications for variation of formal authorities refused by an AFP authorising officer:	
	refused by all All additionsing officer.	0
Subsection	Urgent authorities that were:	
15HM(2)(d)	granted by an AFP authorising officer during the period:	16
	varied by an AFP authorising officer during the period:	7
Subsection	Formal applications for urgent authorities refused by an AFP	
15HM(2)(e)	authorising officer:	0
	Urgent applications for urgent authorities refused by an AFP authorising officer:	
	authorising officer.	0
Subsection	Formal variation applications for the variation of urgent	
15HM(2)(f)	authorities refused by an AFP authorising officer:	0
	Urgent variation applications for the variation of urgent authorities refused by an AFP authorising officer:	
	authorities refused by arrivin authorising officer.	0
Subsection	Formal authorities that were varied by a nominated AAT member	
15HM(2)(g)	during the period:	49
Subsection	Formal variation applications for variation of formal authorities	
15HM(2)(h)	refused by a nominated AAT member:	0
	Urgent variation applications for variation of formal authorities refused by a nominated AAT member:	
	refused by a nonlinated AAT member.	0
Subsection	Authorities for controlled operations that	
15HM(2)(t)	• were cancelled by an AFP authorising officer during the period:	40
	expired during the period:	107
Not applicable	Authorities for controlled operations that were:	
	• Withdrawn:	1
	Did not progress to an authorising officer:	0

Some of the authorities issued during the 2016–17 reporting year were still ongoing at the end of the reporting period; these authorities are included in the first annual report after they have expired.

Date of application

5 July 2016

Authorising officer

Christopher Sheehan, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.18 pm on 5 July 2016 Christopher Sheehan, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

5 July 2016 to 4 January 2017

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 28 September 2016 On 28 September 2016 Christopher Sheehan, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 30 September 2016 On 30 September 2016 James William Constance, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the controlled operation should remain in effect until 4 January 2017.

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Changed an online tracking system in order to facilitate the delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. Controlled delivery of a substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs was conducted.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Ni

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Type	Cocaine Methamphetamine Heroin
Weight/Quantity	3 kg (gross) 50 kg (gross) 4 kg (gross)
Current location	The methamphetamine and cocaine consignments have been destroyed. The heroin consignment is held by the AFP.
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Canada, China, Lao People's Democratic Republic
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

One target was arrested and charged with drug-related offences. The AFP has gathered valuable information about the methodologies used by the target syndicate. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

2 July 2016

Authorising officer

Christopher Sheehan, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(b) of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 12.00 pm on 2 July 2016 Christopher Sheehan, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued an urgent authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

2 July 2016 to 8 July 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Ni

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Conducted the controlled delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	2.9922 kg (gross)
Current location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Hong Kong
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

One target was arrested and charged with drug-related offences.

Date of application

14 July 2016

Authorising officer

Paul Osborne. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 1.52 pm on 14 July 2016 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

14 July 2016 to 20 July 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Ni

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Changed an online tracking system in order to facilitate the delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs. Engaged in communications in relation to the delivery of a consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs. Conducted the controlled delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	5,280 g (net)
Current location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

One target was arrested and charged with drug-related offences.

Date of application

14 July 2016

Authorising officer

Peter Sykora, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 4.09 pm on 14 July 2016 Peter Sykora, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

14 July 2016 to 15 July 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

At 9.37 pm on 15 July 2016 Peter Sykora, an authorising officer, cancelled the controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer.

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

No conduct was engaged in.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing. Controlled conduct is continuing under a subsequent controlled operation.

Date of application

15 July 2016

Authorising officer

Peter Sykora, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 11.10 am on 15 July 2016 Peter Sykora, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

15 July 2016 to 28 July 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of attempted importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Changed an online tracking system in order to facilitate the delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs. Attempted the controlled collection of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

15 July 2016

Authorising officer

John Beveridge, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 2.46 pm on 15 July 2016 John Beveridge, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

15 July 2016 to 14 October 2016

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 4 August 2016 On 4 August 2016 John Beveridge, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation of firearms.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications in relation to the delivery of a consignment purporting to contain firearms. Facilitated the movement of a consignment purporting to contain firearms.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nature and quantity	99 semi-automatic handgun frames and six assault rifles
Route illicit goods passed in the course of the operation, including foreign countries	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: United States of America

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Two targets were arrested and charged with firearm-related offences.

Date of application

26 July 2016

Authorising officer

Justine Saunders, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.15 pm on 29 July 2016 Justine Saunders, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

29 July 2016 to 26 October 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of attempted trafficking and possession of controlled substances.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications in relation to the possession of controlled substances.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

25 July 2016

Authorising officer

Christopher Sheehan, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.53 pm on 25 July 2016 Christopher Sheehan, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

25 July 2016 to 24 October 2016

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 9 August 2016 On 9 August 2016 Christopher Sheehan, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation. Date of variation application: 18 August 2016 On 18 August 2016 Peter Crozier, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of money laundering.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in meetings and discussions in relation to money-laundering and drug related offences. Received, possessed and transported money suspected of being the proceeds or instrument of crime.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(2)(a) of the Act.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The AFP has gathered valuable information about the methodologies used in relation to money laundering. Controlled conduct is continuing under a subsequent controlled operation.

Date of application

22 July 2016

Authorising officer

Justine Saunders, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 1.40 pm on 26 July 2016 Justine Saunders, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

26 July 2016 to 25 October 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of money laundering.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

No conduct was engaged in.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The AFP has gathered valuable information about the methodologies used in relation to money laundering.

Date of application

27 July 2016

Authorising officer

Christopher Sheehan, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(b) of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 4.26 pm on 27 July 2016 Christopher Sheehan, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued an urgent authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

27 July 2016 to 2 August 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Ni

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation and attempted possession of a marketable quantity of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Changed an online tracking system in order to show the consignment which contained border-controlled drugs was ready for delivery.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Cocaine
Weight/Quantity	1.5 kg (gross)
Current location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Trinidad & Tobago
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

2 August 2016

Authorising officer

Paul Osborne. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 4.10 pm on 2 August 2016 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

2 August 2016 to 9 August 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

At 8.34 am on 9 August 2016 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer, cancelled the controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer.

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Changed an online tracking system in order to facilitate the delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs. Attempted a controlled delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	2.751 kg (net)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Turkey
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

One target was arrested and charged with drug-related offences.

Date of application

2 August 2016

Authorising officer

Justine Saunders, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 1.12 pm on 5 August 2016 Justine Saunders, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

5 August 2016 to 4 November 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs and money laundering.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

No conduct was engaged in.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

10 August 2016

Authorising officer

Justine Saunders, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 2.00 pm on 10 August 2016 Justine Saunders, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

10 August 2016 to 4 February 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 7 November 2016

On 7 November 2016 Gary Humphries, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 4 February 2017.

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the trafficking of controlled substances and money laundering.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in meetings and discussions in relation to money laundering and drug related offences. Received, possessed and transported money suspected of being the proceeds or instrument

of crime. Some additional information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(2)(a) of the Act.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Illicit goods

Nature and quantity	Currency AUD8,500
Route illicit goods passed in the course of the operation, including foreign countries	Canberra, ACT

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

9 August 2016

Authorising officer

Justine Saunders, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 9.00 am on 17 August 2016 Justine Saunders, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

17 August 2016 to 15 February 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 16 November 2016 On 16 November 2016 Jill Frances Toohey, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 15 February 2017.

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and possession of a commercial quantity of border controlled drugs and dealing in the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in meetings and discussions in relation to the importation of border controlled drugs and money laundering. Possession of border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Cocaine
Weight/Quantity	3 g (gross)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Unknown
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	An officer of the following agency had possession of the narcotic goods in the course of the controlled operation: AFP The following person/s had possession of the narcotic goods in the course of the operation: This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Outcomes

The AFP has gathered valuable information about the methodologies used in relation to drug importations. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

17 August 2016

Authorising officer

Justine Saunders, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 4.00 pm on 23 August 2016 Justine Saunders, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

23 August 2016 to 22 November 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs and money laundering.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

No conduct was engaged in.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The AFP has gathered valuable information about the methodologies used in relation to drug importations and money-laundering.

Date of application

18 August 2016

Authorising officer

Paul Osborne. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 11.07 am on 18 August 2016 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

18 August 2016 to 17 September 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Ni

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Conducted the controlled delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	1,714.4 g (net)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Taiwan
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

One target was arrested and charged with drug-related offences.

Date of application

19 August 2016

Authorising officer

Paul Osborne. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(b) of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.20 pm on 19 August 2016 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued an urgent authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

19 August 2016 to 25 August 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a marketable quantity of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Changed an online tracking system and completed administrative procedures in order to facilitate the delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Type	Cocaine
Weight/Quantity	1,000 g (gross)
Current location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: United States of America
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

28 August 2016

Authorising officer

Peter Sykora, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 10.30 am on 28 August 2016 Peter Sykora, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

28 August 2016 to 27 November 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

No conduct was engaged in.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

1 September 2016

Authorising officer

Matthew Rippon, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(b) of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 4.10 pm on 1 September 2016 Matthew Rippon, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued an urgent authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

1 September 2016 to 7 September 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation and attempted possession of a marketable quantity of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Sent, received and monitored messages in relation to the importation of border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table below for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Cocaine
Weight/Quantity	1,114 g (gross)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Brazil and the United Arab Emirates
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

The AFP has gathered valuable information about the methodologies used in relation to drug importation.

Date of application

3 September 2016

Authorising officer

Paul Osborne. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(b) of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.47 pm on 3 September 2016 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued an urgent authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

3 September 2016 to 9 September 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Sent and received messages in relation to the importation of border-controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing. Controlled conduct is continuing under a subsequent controlled operation.

Date of application

7 September 2016

Authorising officer

Paul Osborne. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 11.51 am on 7 September 2016 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

7 September 2016 to 6 November 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the attempted importation of a commercial quantity of border-controlled precursor.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications in relation to the delivery of a consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Ephedrine
Weight/Quantity	120 kg (gross)
Current location	Narcotics Control Bureau – Guangzhou, China
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Not applicable
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

9 September 2016

Authorising officer

Paul Osborne. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 4.00 pm on 9 September 2016 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

9 September 2016 to 22 September 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Ni

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs and money-laundering.

Cancellation

At 4.21 pm on 22 September 2016 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer, cancelled the controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer.

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Sent and received messages in relation to the importation of border-controlled drugs and money-laundering. Dealt with money suspected of being the proceeds or instrument of crime. Changed an online tracking system in order to facilitate the delivery of a fully substituted

consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. Conducted a controlled delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Ni

Illicit goods

Nature and quantity	AUD40,000
Route illicit goods passed in the course of the operation, including foreign countries	From unknown route to Bondi Junction, NSW.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Cocaine
Weight/Quantity	16 kg (gross)
Current location	AFP. Samples have been sent to the National Measurement Institute.
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: United States of America
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Two targets were arrested and charged with fraud, money-laundering and drug related offences.

Date of application

14 September 2016

Authorising officer

Paul Osborne. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.21 pm on 14 September 2016 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

14 September 2016 to 13 December 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of money laundering.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

No conduct was engaged in.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

There was no opportunity to engage in controlled conduct.

Date of application

16 September 2016

Authorising officer

Paul Osborne. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 1.55 pm on 16 September 2016 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

16 September 2016 to 15 October 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Ni

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications in relation to the delivery of a consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs. Conducted a controlled delivery of a consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	2,456.7 g (net)
Current location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: China
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The AFP has gathered valuable information about the methodologies used in relation to drug importations.

Date of application

19 September 2016

Authorising officer

Paul Osborne. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 2.29 pm on 19 September 2016 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

19 September 2016 to 18 October 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Ni

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of dealing in firearms.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications in relation to purchasing an illegal firearm.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nature and quantity	o.38 Smith & Wesson revolver and o.32 calibre silver revolver
Route illicit goods passed in the course of the operation, including foreign countries	Unknown

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Two targets were arrested and charged with firearm-related offences. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

16 September 2016

Authorising officer

lan McCartney, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 6.29 pm on 16 September 2016 Ian McCartney, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

16 September 2016 to 15 December 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of money laundering.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

No conduct was engaged in.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

27 September 2016

Authorising officer

Peter Sykora, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.29 pm on 27 September 2016 Peter Sykora, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

27 September 2016 to 5 October 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a marketable quantity of border-controlled drugs and money laundering.

Cancellation

At 10.12 am on 5 October 2016 Peter Sykora, an authorising officer, cancelled the controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer.

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Conducted the controlled delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Cocaine
Weight/Quantity	131 g (gross)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

One target was arrested and charged with drug-related offences. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

20 September 2016

Authorising officer

Justine Saunders, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.15 pm on 28 September 2016 Justine Saunders, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

28 September 2016 to 27 December 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of conspiracy and attempt to import and possess a commercial quantity of a border-controlled drug.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications and discussions regarding the importation of border-controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

6 October 2016

Authorising officer

Paul Osborne. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 11.36 am on 6 October 2016 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

6 October 2016 to 19 October 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Changed an online tracking system in order to facilitate the delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs. Engaged in communications in relation to the delivery of a consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs. Attempted the controlled delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Heroin
Weight/Quantity	3,308 g (gross)
Current location	AFP. Samples have been sent to the National Measurement Institute.
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

One target was arrested and charged with drug-related offences. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

7 October 2016

Authorising officer

Paul Osborne, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 2.41 pm on 7 October 2016 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

7 October 2016 to 30 November 2016

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 14 October 2016 On 14 October 2016 Paul Osborne, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

At 9.27 am on 30 November 2016 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer, cancelled the controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Changed an online tracking system in order to facilitate the delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs. Engaged in

communications in relation to the delivery of a consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs. Conducted the controlled delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Type	3,4-methylenedioxy- methamphetamine (MDMA)
Weight/Quantity	367,932.8 g (net)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Czech Republic, Austria, Germany, Switzerland, Italy, Egypt and Reunion Island
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Two targets were arrested and charged with drug-related offences. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

7 October 2016

Authorising officer

Paul Osborne, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(b) of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.47 pm on 7 October 2016 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued an urgent authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

7 October 2016 to 13 October 2016

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 11 October 2016 On 11 October 2016 Paul Osborne, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Changed an online tracking system in order to facilitate the delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs. Engaged in communications in relation to the delivery of a consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	3,4-methylenedioxy- methamphetamine (MDMA)
Weight/Quantity	2,012 g (net)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Germany
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

10 October 2016

Authorising officer

Paul Osborne. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(b) of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 1.01 pm on 11 October 2016 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued an urgent authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

11 October 2016 to 17 October 2016

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 14 October 2016 On 14 October 2016 Paul Osborne, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Changed online tracking systems in order to facilitate the delivery of fully substituted consignments purporting to contain border-controlled drugs. Engaged in communications in relation to the delivery of consignments purporting to contain border-controlled drugs. Conducted a controlled

delivery of fully substituted consignments purporting to contain border-controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	26.1 kg (net)
Current location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Mexico
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing. Controlled conduct is continuing under a subsequent controlled operation.

Date of application

17 October 2016

Authorising officer

Christopher Sheehan, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 4.31 pm on 17 October 2016 Christopher Sheehan, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

17 October 2016 to 1 December 2016

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 15 November 2016 On 15 November 2016 Paul Osborne, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

At 11.56 am on 1 December 2016 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer, cancelled the controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications in relation to the delivery of consignments purporting to contain border-controlled drugs. Conducted a controlled

delivery of fully substituted consignments purporting to contain border-controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	26.1 kg (net)
Current location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Mexico
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Three targets were arrested and charged with drug-related offences.

Date of application

17 October 2016

Authorising officer

Matthew Rippon, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.00 pm on 17 October 2016 Matthew Rippon, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

17 October 2016 to 16 November 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Conducted the controlled delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Cocaine
Weight/Quantity	10 kg (gross)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: United States of America
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Three targets were arrested and charged with drug-related offences.

Date of application

21 October 2016

Authorising officer

Christopher Sheehan, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 10.00 am on 21 October 2016 Christopher Sheehan, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

21 October 2016 to 9 December 2016

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 25 October 2016 On 25 October 2016 Christopher Sheehan, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activities of importation of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs and abuse of public office.

Cancellation

At 12.24 pm on 9 December 2016 Christopher Sheehan, an authorising officer, cancelled the controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer.

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Accessed online accounts in order to facilitate the importation of border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

20 October 2016

Authorising officer

Michael Phelan, Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 10.19 am on 21 October 2016 Michael Phelan, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

21 October 2016 to 20 January 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of terrorism and firearms.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

No conduct was engaged in.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

20 October 2016

Authorising officer

Justine Saunders, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 6.00 pm on 20 October 2016 Justine Saunders, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

27 September 2016 to 5 October 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of money laundering.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in discussions in relation to money laundering, collection and remittance of cash.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The controlled operation identified a person of interest. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

24 October 2016

Authorising officer

Michael Kelsey, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 2.55 pm on 24 October 2016 Michael Kelsey, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

24 October 2016 to 23 April 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 19 January 2017 On 19 January 2017 James Popple, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the controlled operation should remain in effect until 23 April 2017.

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of terrorism.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(2)(a) of the Act.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

A new investigation has commenced as a result of the controlled conduct. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

27 October 2016

Authorising officer

Paul Osborne. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 1.44 pm on 27 October 2016 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

27 October 2016 to 19 January 2017

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 24 November 2016 On 24 November 2016 John Beveridge, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of trafficking controlled substances.

Cancellation

At 2.06pm on 19 January 2017 John Beveridge, an authorising officer, cancelled the controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer.

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications in relation to possession and trafficking of controlled drugs. Purchase and possession of a controlled substance.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	2.64 g (gross)
Current location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Unknown
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	The following person/s had possession of the narcotic goods in the course of the operation: This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Outcomes

The controlled operation assisted a Victoria Police operation resulting in the arrest of the target and another person.

Date of application

27 October 2016

Authorising officer

Christopher Sheehan, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(b) of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 4.12 pm on 27 October 2016 Christopher Sheehan, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued an urgent authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

27 October 2016 to 2 November 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of money laundering.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications in relation to accepting and allocating cash contracts.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing. Controlled conduct is continuing under a subsequent controlled operation.

Date of application

31 October 2016

Authorising officer

Justine Saunders, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 9.40 am on 1 November 2016 Justine Saunders, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

1 November 2016 to 31 January 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of money laundering.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engage in meetings and discussions in relation to money laundering. Deal with money or other property purporting to be the proceeds of crime.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nature and quantity	AUD129,000
Route illicit goods passed in the course of the operation, including foreign countries	United States of America

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The AFP has gained valuable intelligence related to overseas criminal group activities and successfully identified a further target.

Date of application

31 October 2016

Authorising officer

John Beveridge, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 1.35 pm on 31 October 2016 John Beveridge, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

31 October 2016 to 26 November 2016

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 2 November 2016 On 2 November 2016 John Beveridge, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation. Date of variation application: 8 November 2016 On 8 November 2016 John Beveridge, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of fraud and money laundering.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications and meetings in relation to the return of funds and the target's involvement and organisation of a phoenixing scheme.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

2 November 2016

Authorising officer

Christopher Sheehan, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 1.13 pm on 2 November 2016 Christopher Sheehan, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

2 November 2016 to 1 May 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 31 January 2017 On 31 January 2017 Stephen Edward Frost, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the controlled operation should remain in effect until 1 May 2017.

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of money laundering.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications in relation to accepting and allocating cash contracts.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The AFP has gathered valuable methodologies used in relation to money laundering syndicates. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

4 November 2016

Authorising officer

Paul Osborne, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.53 pm on 4 November 2016 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

4 November 2016 to 11 November 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

At 8.00 am on 11 November 2016 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer, cancelled the controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer.

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

There was no opportunity to engage in controlled conduct.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	8.1603 kg (net)
Current location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: China
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

There was no opportunity to engage in controlled conduct.

Date of application

11 November 2016

Authorising officer

Paul Osborne. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(b) of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 4.05 am on 11 November 2016 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued an urgent authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

11 November 2016 to 17 November 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the attempted possession of a commercial quantity of an unlawfully imported border-controlled drug.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications in relation to possession of an unlawfully imported border-controlled drug.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine and 3,4 methylene- dioxymethamphet- amine (MDMA)
Weight/Quantity	Methamphetamine – 64,783.3 g (net) MDMA – 2,425.5 g (net)
Current location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

No persons were arrested as a result of the controlled operation; however, eight persons were arrested during the operation.

Date of application

17 November 2016

Authorising officer

Paul Osborne, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 10.28 am on 17 November 2016 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

17 November 2016 to 30 November 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications in relation to the delivery of consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs. Conducted a controlled delivery of fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

A member of the AFP was injured during a forced entry at premises to apprehend two targets.

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Heroin
Weight/Quantity	3.689 kg (net)
Current location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Thailand
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Three targets were arrested and charged with drug-related offences. Some aspects of the investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

17 November 2016

Authorising officer

Neil Gaughan, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 12.12 pm on 21 November 2016 Neil Gaughan, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

21 November 2016 to 20 May 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 16 February 2017 On 16 February 2017 Gina Lazanas, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 20 May 2017.

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation of a commercial quantity of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications in relation to the importation of border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Vil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The AFP has gathered information about the methodologies used in relation to drug importations.

Date of application

29 November 2016

Authorising officer

Paul Osborne, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 10.20 am on 29 November 2016 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

29 November 2016 to 28 December 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Changed online tracking systems in order to facilitate the delivery of fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	3,4-methylenedioxy- methamphetamine (MDMA)
Weight/Quantity	529.3 g (net)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Poland
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

2 December 2016

Authorising officer

Sharon Cowden. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 2.01 pm on 2 December 2016 Sharon Cowden, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

2 December 2016 to 15 December 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation of firearms.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Changed online tracking systems in order to facilitate the delivery of the consignments purporting to contain firearms. Engaged in communications in relation to the delivery of consignments purporting to contain firearms. Attempted controlled delivery of consignments purporting to contain firearms.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nature and quantity	Two disassembled Colt M1911 semi-automatic .45 calibre pistols, six J&J .45 calibre magazines and one silencer.
Route illicit goods passed in the course of the operation, including foreign countries	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Philippines

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

2 December 2016

Authorising officer

Christopher Sheehan, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 2.34 pm on 2 December 2016 Christopher Sheehan, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

2 December 2016 to 1 March 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of money laundering.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

No conduct was engaged in.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The AFP has gathered further information about the methodologies used in relation to money laundering offences.

Date of application

19 December 2016

Authorising officer

Paul Osborne, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 2.34 pm on 19 December 2016 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

19 December 2016 to 21 February 2017

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 22 December 2016 On 22 December 2016 Paul Osborne, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation. Date of variation application: 11 January 2017 On 11 January 2017 Paul Osborne, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantities of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

At 8.08am on 21 February 2017 John Beveridge, an authorising officer, cancelled the controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer.

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Changed online tracking systems in order to facilitate the delivery of the consignments purporting to contain border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Cocaine Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	254 kg (gross) 104 kg (gross)
Current location	The narcotic goods have been destroyed. Samples have been sent to the National Measurement Institute.
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: South Africa and Singapore
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Four targets were arrested and charged with drug-related offences.

Date of application

19 December 2016

Authorising officer

Paul Osborne, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 4.07 pm on 19 December 2016 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

19 December 2016 to 10 January 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

At 9.04am on 10 January 2017 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer, cancelled the controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer.

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Conducted a controlled delivery of the fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	Consignment 1 and 2 total 7.456 kg (gross) Consignment 3 total 3.7374 kg (net)
Current location	Narcotic goods consignment 1 and 2 are currently retained by the AFP. Narcotic goods consignment 3 has
	been destroyed.
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Three targets were arrested and charged with drug-related offences. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

23 December 2016

Authorising officer

Paul Osborne, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 10.56 am on 23 December 2016 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

23 December 2016 to 19 January 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Ni

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation of a commercial quantity of a border controlled precursors.

Cancellation

At 3.43pm on 19 January 2017 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer, cancelled the controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer.

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Changed online tracking systems in order to facilitate the collection of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled precursors. Engaged in communications in relation to the collection of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled precursors.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Pseudoephedrine
Weight/Quantity	190 kg (net)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Vietnam and Singapore
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Six targets were arrested and charged with drug-related offences. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

9 January 2017

Authorising officer

Paul Osborne. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 9.05 am on 10 January 2017 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

10 January 2017 to 18 January 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Ni

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of a border controlled drug.

Cancellation

At 10.54am on 18 January 2017 Paul Osborne, an authorising officer, cancelled the controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer.

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications in relation to the delivery of a consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. Conducted a controlled delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	10,132.5 g (net)
Current location	Samples held by AFP. Remaining narcotic goods have been destroyed.
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

One target was arrested and charged with drug-related offences.

A controlled operation number was issued; however, this controlled operation was withdrawn and did not progress to an Authorising Officer.

Date of application

Not applicable

Authorising officer

Not applicable

Nature of application

Not applicable

Decision of authorising officer

Not applicable

Period of effect

Not applicable

AFP variation of authority

Not applicable

AAT variation of authority

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

Not applicable

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Not applicable.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Not applicable

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Not applicable

Details of any personal injuries

Not applicable

Illicit goods

Not applicable

Narcotic goods

Not applicable

Outcomes

Not applicable

Date of application

12 January 2017

Authorising officer

Sharon Cowden. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 8.04 am on 13 January 2017 Sharon Cowden, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

13 January 2017 to 26 January 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications in relation to the delivery of a consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. A controlled delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs was attempted.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Type	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	2,273.7 g (gross)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Canada and Hong Kong
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

The AFP has gathered valuable information about the methodologies used in relation to drug importations.

Date of application

17 January 2017

Authorising officer

Christopher Sheehan, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 8.38 am on 18 January 2017 Christopher Sheehan, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

18 January 2017 to 23 January 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

At 10.55am on 23 January 2017 Matthew Rippon, an authorising officer, cancelled the controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer.

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Changed online tracking systems in order to facilitate the delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. A controlled delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs was conducted.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	986.9 g (gross)
Current location	The narcotic goods have been destroyed.
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

16 January 2017

Authorising officer

Neil Gaughan, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.03 pm on 17 January 2017 Neil Gaughan, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

17 January 2017 to 16 April 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the conspiracy to import and possess a commercial quantity of a border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications and discussions regarding the importation of border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

23 January 2017

Authorising officer

Matthew Rippon, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 10.50 am on 23 January 2017 Matthew Rippon, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

23 January 2017 to 5 February 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Ni

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a marketable quantity of a border controlled drug.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Changed online tracking systems in order to facilitate the delivery of the consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. A controlled delivery of the consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs was conducted.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	444.4 g (gross)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Hong Kong
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Three targets were arrested and charged with drug-related offences.

Date of application

20 January 2017

Authorising officer

Peter Sykora, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(b) of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 1.08 pm on 20 January 2017 Peter Sykora, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued an urgent authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

20 January 2017 to 26 January 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a marketable quantity of a border controlled drug.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Changed online tracking systems in order to facilitate the collation of the consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. Engaged in communications, discussions and arrangements regarding the delivery of the consignment. Conducted a controlled collection of the consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Type	Cocaine
Weight/Quantity	245.6 g (net)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: United States of America
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

One target was arrested and charged with drug-related offences. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

24 January 2017

Authorising officer

Lesa Gale. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 2.10 pm on 24 January 2017 Lesa Gale, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

24 January 2017 to 23 February 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of conducting a business involving servitude of another person.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

No conduct was engaged in.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

24 January 2017

Authorising officer

Matthew Rippon, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 4.25 pm on 24 January 2017 Matthew Rippon, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

24 January 2017 to 6 February 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Changed online tracking systems in order to facilitate the delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. A controlled delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs was conducted.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	979.2 g (gross)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Canada
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

One person was arrested and charged with drug-related offences.

Date of application

24 January 2017

Authorising officer

Michael Phelan, Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 11.01 am on 25 January 2017 Michael Phelan, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

25 January 2017 to 24 April 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of terrorism.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in discussions in relation to preparations for incursions into a foreign state.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

1 February 2017

Authorising officer

John Beveridge, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.26 pm on 1 February 2017 John Beveridge, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

1 February 2017 to 13 February 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Ni

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation of a marketable quantity of a border controlled drug.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Manipulated systems in order to facilitate the collection of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. Engaged in discussions in relation to the collection of a consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Amphetamine
Weight/Quantity	99.8 g (gross)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Germany
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

One person was arrested and charged with drug-related offences.

Date of application

2 February 2017

Authorising officer

Brian McDonald. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 1.30 pm on 3 February 2017 Brian McDonald, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

3 February 2017 to 2 May 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of terrorism.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

No conduct was engaged in.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

There was no opportunity to engage in controlled conduct.

Date of application

16 January 2017

Authorising officer

Neil Gaughan, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 10.32 am on 30 January 2017 Neil Gaughan, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

30 January 2017 to 29 April 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of money laundering.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection $15 \, \text{HN}(4)$ of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

No conduct was engaged in.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

There was no opportunity to engage in controlled conduct.

Date of application

16 January 2017

Authorising officer

Neil Gaughan, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 10.40 am on 30 January 2017 Neil Gaughan, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

30 January 2017 to 29 April 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of money laundering.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

No conduct was engaged in.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

There was no opportunity to engage in controlled conduct.

Date of application

7 February 2017

Authorising officer

Chris McDevitt, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 11.38 am on 7 February 2017 Chris McDevitt, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

7 February 2017 to 23 February 2017

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 16 February 2017 On 16 February 2017 Chris McDevitt, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of a border controlled drug.

Cancellation

At 12.12pm on 23 February 2017 Christopher Sheehan, an authorising officer, cancelled the controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer.

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Manipulated systems in order to facilitate the collection of a reconstructed consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. Engaged in discussions in relation to the delivery of

a reconstructed consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	147.89 kg (net)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Hong Kong
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Two people were arrested and charged with drug-related offences.

Date of application

10 February 2017

Authorising officer

Mark Walters, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 12.15 pm on 10 February 2017 Mark Walters, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

10 February 2017 to 23 February 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a marketable quantity of a border controlled drug.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Manipulated systems in order to facilitate the collection of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. Conducted a controlled delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Heroin
Weight/Quantity	1,181 g (net)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Thailand
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

9 February 2017

Authorising officer

Matthew Rippon, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.25 pm on 9 February 2017 Matthew Rippon, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

9 February 2017 to 22 February 2017

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 10 February 2017 On 10 February 2017 Matthew Rippon, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Manipulated systems in order to facilitate the collection of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. Engaged in communications in relation to the delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. A controlled delivery of a fully substituted

consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs was conducted.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Cocaine
Weight/Quantity	1.7 kg (gross)
Current location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Two people were arrested and charged with drug-related offences.

Date of application

10 February 2017

Authorising officer

Chris McDevitt. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 2.45 pm on 10 February 2017 Chris McDevitt, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

10 February 2017 to 12 April 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the attempted importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of a border controlled drug.

Cancellation

At 1.33pm on 12 April 2017 Christopher Sheehan, an authorising officer, cancelled the controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer.

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Manipulated systems in order to facilitate the collection of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	101.696 kg (gross)
Current location	China
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Unknown. The illicit goods were seized by Chinese Authorities.
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Three targets were arrested and charged with drug-related offences.

Date of application

10 February 2017

Authorising officer

Neil Gaughan, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 2.32 pm on 10 February 2017 Neil Gaughan, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

10 February 2017 to 9 May 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal of the importation of commercial quantities of border controlled drugs and precursors, money laundering and the smuggling of tobacco products.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

There was no opportunity to engage in controlled conduct.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

14 February 2017

Authorising officer

Chris McDevitt. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 4.10 pm on 14 February 2017 Chris McDevitt, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

14 February 2017 to 20 February 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Ni

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal of the importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of a border controlled drug.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Manipulated systems in order to facilitate the collection of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. Engaged in discussions in relation to the collection of a consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Gammabutyrolactone
Weight/Quantity	2,882 g (net)
Current location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Lithuania via Singapore
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

20 February 2017

Authorising officer

Sharon Cowden, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.06 pm on 20 February 2017 Sharon Cowden, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

20 February 2017 to 26 February 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Ni

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity the importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of a border controlled drug.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Manipulated systems in order to facilitate the collection of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	3,4-methylenedioxy- methamphetamine (MDMA)
Weight/Quantity	525 g (gross)
Current location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: France
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

2 March 2017

Authorising officer

Chris McDevitt. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 12.30 pm on 2 March 2017 Chris McDevitt, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

2 March 2017 to 9 March 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of a border controlled drug.

Cancellation

At 5.24pm on 9 March 2017 Christopher Sheehan, an authorising officer, cancelled the controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer.

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in discussions in relation to the delivery of a consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. Manipulated systems in order to facilitate the delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	541 kg (net)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: United States of America
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Eight people were arrested and charged with drug-related offences.

Date of application

3 March 2017

Authorising officer

Chris McDevitt, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 2.00 pm on 3 March 2017 Chris McDevitt, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

3 March 2017 to 11 March 2017

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 6 March 2017 On 6 March 2017 Peter Sykora, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a marketable quantity of a border controlled drug.

Cancellation

At 4.05pm on 11 March 2017 Peter Sykora, an authorising officer, cancelled the controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Facilitated the delivery of a consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. Engaged in communications in relation to the collection of a consignment purporting to contain border

controlled drugs. Manipulated systems in order to facilitate the delivery of a consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Type	Cocaine
Weight/Quantity	97.8 g (net)
Current location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: United States of America
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Two targets were arrested and charged with drug-related offences. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

13 March 2017

Authorising officer

Christopher Sheehan, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.06 pm on 13 March 2017 Christopher Sheehan, an authorising officer, within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

13 March 2017 to 23 March 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a border controlled drug.

Cancellation

At 7.38am on 23 March 2017 Christopher Sheehan, an authorising officer, cancelled the controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer.

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in discussions in relation to the delivery of a consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. A controlled delivery of a consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs was attempted.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Cocaine
Weight/Quantity	1,405.18 g (net)
Current location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: United States of America
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

This investigation has concluded with no subsequent court proceedings.

Date of application

16 March 2017

Authorising officer

John Beveridge, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.22 pm on 16 March 2017 John Beveridge, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

16 March 2017 to 24 March 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of a border controlled drug.

Cancellation

At 4.49pm on 24 March 2017 John Beveridge, an authorising officer, cancelled the controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer.

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Manipulated systems in order to facilitate the delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. Conducted a controlled delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	6,903.3 g (net)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Canada
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

One person was arrested and charged with drug-related offences. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

10 March 2017

Authorising officer

Leanne Close, Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 11.55 am on 14 March 2017 Leanne Close, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

14 March 2017 to 13 June 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and trafficking of prohibited imports, armament dealings and controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in conversations in relation to criminal activities.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

No further controlled conduct was able to be undertaken with one of the targets being arrested and charged with State drugs and weapons offences outside this controlled operation.

Date of application

22 March 2017

Authorising officer

Christopher Sheehan, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(b) of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.15 pm on 22 March 2017 Christopher Sheehan, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued an urgent authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

22 March 2017 to 28 March 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of commercial quantities of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Manipulated systems in order to facilitate the delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. Engaged in discussions in relation to the collection of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Cocaine
Weight/Quantity	38 kg (gross)
Current location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: United Kingdom and South Africa
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

One person was arrested and charged with drug-related offences.

Date of application

23 March 2017

Authorising officer

Bruce Hill. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 5.27 pm on 23 March 2017 Bruce Hill, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

23 March 2017 to 5 April 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a border controlled drug.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Manipulated systems in order to facilitate the delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Ketamine
Weight/Quantity	365 g (net)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Spain
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

23 March 2017

Authorising officer

Bruce Hill. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 2.30 pm on 24 March 2017 Bruce Hill, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

24 March 2017 to 23 April 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of conspiracy to import a commercial quantity of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Manipulated systems in order to facilitate the delivery of a consignment suspected to contain border controlled drugs. Engaged in discussions, freight facilitations and arrangements in relation to consignments suspected to contain border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The AFP has gathered valuable information about the methodologies used in relation to drug importations.

Date of application

26 March 2017

Authorising officer

John Beveridge, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.00 pm on 26 March 2017 John Beveridge, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

26 March 2017 to 25 June 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation of a commercial quantity of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Manipulated systems in order to facilitate the delivery of the fully substituted consignments purporting to contain border controlled drugs. Conducted a controlled delivery of the fully substituted consignments purporting to contain border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	301.6 kg (net)
Current location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: China
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Three persons were arrested and charged with drug offences. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

27 March 2017

Authorising officer

John Beveridge, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 6.10 pm on 27 March 2017 John Beveridge, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

27 March 2017 to 11 April 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of a border controlled drug.

Cancellation

At 4.55pm on 11 April 2017 Bruce Hill, an authorising officer, cancelled the controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer.

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Manipulated systems in order to facilitate the delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Heroin
Weight/Quantity	40.11 kg (net)
Current location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Malaysia
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Controlled conduct did not progress as persons of interest were arrested by Victoria Police.

Date of application

29 March 2017

Authorising officer

Peter Sykora, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 11.45 am on 29 March 2017 Peter Sykora, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

29 March 2017 to 3 April 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a border controlled drug.

Cancellation

At 4.10pm on 3 April 2017 Peter Sykora, an authorising officer, cancelled the controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer.

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Manipulated systems in order to facilitate the delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	3,4-methylenedioxy- methamphetamine (MDMA)
Weight/Quantity	502.4 g (net)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: France
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

One target was arrested and charged with drug-related offences. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

28 March 2017

Authorising officer

Leanne Close, Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 4.10 pm on 31 March 2017 Leanne Close, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

31 March 2017 to 30 June 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the trafficking of commercial quantities of controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in meetings and discussions related to the possession and trafficking of controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The controlled operation was unable to be undertaken due to the target being arrested by South Australia Police.

Date of application

7 April 2017

Authorising officer

Sharon Cowden, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 1.32 pm on 7 April 2017 Sharon Cowden, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

7 April 2017 to 13 April 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a marketable quantity of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

At 2.40pm on 13 April 2017 Greg Harrigan, an authorising officer, cancelled the controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer.

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Manipulated systems in order to facilitate the collection of a consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. Facilitated the collection of a consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. Engaged in discussions in relation

to the collection of a consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	3,4-methylenedioxy- methamphetamine (MDMA)
Weight/Quantity	524 g (gross)
Current location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: The Netherlands
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

One person was arrested during the controlled operation. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

10 April 2017

Authorising officer

Lesa Gale. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.30 pm on 10 April 2017 Lesa Gale, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

10 April 2017 to 23 April 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Conducted a controlled delivery of a consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	4 L (gross)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Canada
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

11 April 2017

Authorising officer

Matthew Rippon, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(b) of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 7.14 pm on 11 April 2017 Matthew Rippon, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued an urgent authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

11 April 2017 to 17 April 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in discussions in relation to the delivery of a consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	2,035.5 g (net)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: United Arab Emirates and Sierra Leone
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

12 April 2017

Authorising officer

Matthew Rippon, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.02 pm on 12 April 2017 Matthew Rippon, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

12 April 2017 to 25 April 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a marketable quantity of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Conducted a controlled delivery of a consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Cocaine
Weight/Quantity	247.3 g (net)
Current location	AFP. Samples have been sent to the National Measurement Institute.
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Ireland
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

One person was arrested during the controlled operation. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

13 April 2017

Authorising officer

Bruce Hill. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 2.35 pm on 13 April 2017 Bruce Hill, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

13 April 2017 to 26 April 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Manipulated systems in order to facilitate the delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	3,4-methylenedioxy- methamphetamine (MDMA)
Weight/Quantity	5 kg (gross)
Current location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Germany
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

13 April 2017

Authorising officer

Bruce Hill. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.05 pm on 13 April 2017 Bruce Hill, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

13 April 2017 to 26 April 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Ni

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Manipulated systems in order to facilitate the delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Amphetamine
Weight/Quantity	1,590 g (gross)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Czech Republic
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

15 April 2017

Authorising officer

Matthew Rippon, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 2.15 pm on 15 April 2017 Matthew Rippon, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

15 April 2017 to 22 May 2017

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 20 April 2017 On 20 April 2017 Lesa Gale, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

At 1.20pm on 22 May 2017 Matthew Rippon, an authorising officer, cancelled the controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Conducted a controlled delivery of a consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. Engaged in discussions and communications

in relation to the storage and collection of a consignment purporting of border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Ni

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	113 kg (net)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Malaysia
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Three targets were arrested and charged with drug-related offences. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

13 April 2017

Authorising officer

Bruce Hill, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(b) of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 12.10 pm on 13 April 2017 Bruce Hill, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued an urgent authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

13 April 2017 to 19 April 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the attempted manufacturing of a commercial quantity of controlled drugs and importation of prohibited imports.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Manipulated systems in order to show a consignment containing a prohibited import had cleared Customs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nature and quantity	A tablet press, without dies.
Route illicit goods passed in the course of the operation, including foreign countries	China

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

21 April 2017

Authorising officer

Peter Sykora, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 8.28 am on 21 April 2017 Peter Sykora, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

21 April 2017 to 19 May 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the attempted manufacturing of a commercial quantity of controlled drugs and importation of prohibited imports.

Cancellation

At 2.53pm on 19 May 2017 Peter Sykora, an authorising officer, cancelled the controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer.

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

No conduct was engaged in.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nature and quantity	A tablet press, without dies.
Route illicit goods passed in the course of the operation, including foreign countries	China

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The AFP has gather valuable information about the methodologies used in relation to prohibited imports.

Date of application

20 April 2017

Authorising officer

Bruce Hill. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(b) of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 5.15 pm on 20 April 2017 Bruce Hill, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued an urgent authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

20 April 2017 to 26 April 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation of a commercial quantity of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in discussions and communications in relation to the importation of border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

5 May 2017

Authorising officer

John Beveridge, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 1.35 pm on 5 May 2017 John Beveridge, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

5 May 2017 to 18 May 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of a border controlled drug.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Manipulated systems in order to facilitate the delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. Engaged in discussions and communications in relation to the delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting of border controlled drugs. A controlled delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs was conducted.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Cocaine
Weight/Quantity	22.4 kg (net)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Mexico
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Two people were arrested and charged with drug-related offences. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

9 May 2017

Authorising officer

Lesa Gale. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 9.01 am on 9 May 2017 Lesa Gale, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

9 May 2017 to 15 May 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a marketable quantity of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

A controlled delivery of a consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs was conducted.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	3,4-methylenedioxy- methamphetamine (MDMA)
Weight/Quantity	70 g (gross)
Current location	AFP. Samples have been sent to the National Measurement Institute.
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: The Netherlands
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

12 May 2017

Authorising officer

John Beveridge, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 10.07 am on 12 May 2017 John Beveridge, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

12 May 2017 to 25 May 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the attempted importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in discussions and communications in relation to the delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting of border controlled drugs. A controlled delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs was conducted.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	10 kg (gross)
Current location	China
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Unknown. The illicit goods were seized by Chinese Authorities.
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

One target was arrested and charged with drug-related offences.

Date of application

17 May 2017

Authorising officer

Peter Sykora, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.25 pm on 17 May 2017 Peter Sykora, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

17 May 2017 to 30 May 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Ni

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Manipulated systems in order to show the consignment containing border controlled drugs had been rejected and marked return to sender.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	3,4-methylenedioxy- methamphetamine (MDMA)
Weight/Quantity	5 kg (gross)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Germany
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

The AFP has gathered valuable information about the methodologies used in relation to importation of border controlled drugs. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

22 May 2017

Authorising officer

Sharon Cowden, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(b) of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 1.32 pm on 22 May 2017 Sharon Cowden, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued an urgent authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

22 May 2017 to 28 May 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Manipulated systems in order to facilitate the delivery of the consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. Engaged in communications in relation to the delivery of the consignment purporting of border controlled drugs. Facilitated the collection of the consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	2,040 g (gross)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Germany
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Two targets were arrested and charged with drug-related offences. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

26 May 2017

Authorising officer

Matthew Rippon, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 1.30 pm on 26 May 2017 Matthew Rippon, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

26 May 2017 to 1 June 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Manipulated systems in order to facilitate the delivery of a consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. Engaged in discussions and communications in relation to the delivery of a consignment purporting of border controlled drugs. A controlled delivery of a consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs was conducted.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	1,995.1 g (net)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: United States of America
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

One target was arrested and charged with drug-related offences.

Date of application

26 May 2017

Authorising officer

Mark Walters, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.53 pm on 26 May 2017 Mark Walters, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

26 May 2017 to 6 June 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of trafficking controlled drugs.

Cancellation

At 1.26pm on 6 June 2017 Mark Walters, an authorising officer, cancelled the controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer.

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Conducted controlled deliveries of the fully substituted consignments purporting to contain border controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Type	Cocaine Heroin 3,4-methylenedioxy- methamphetamine (MDMA)
Weight/Quantity	3.5 g (net) 7.1 g (net) 21.3 g (net)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Unknown location within Australia
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

30 May 2017

Authorising officer

Steven Hulbert, acting Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 9.12 pm on 30 May 2017 Steven Hulbert, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

30 May 2017 to 5 June 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a marketable quantity of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Manipulated systems in order to facilitate the delivery of the consignments purporting to contain border controlled drugs. A controlled delivery of the consignments purporting to contain border controlled drugs was conducted.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	145.5 g (net)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Malaysia
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

One target was arrested and charged with drug-related offences.

Date of application

15 June 2017

Authorising officer

Steven Hulbert, acting Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.43 pm on 15 June 2017 Steven Hulbert, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

15 June 2017 to 28 June 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Ni

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Manipulated systems in order to facilitate the delivery of a consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. Engaged in discussions and communications in relation to the delivery of a consignment purporting of border controlled drugs. A controlled delivery of a consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs was conducted.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

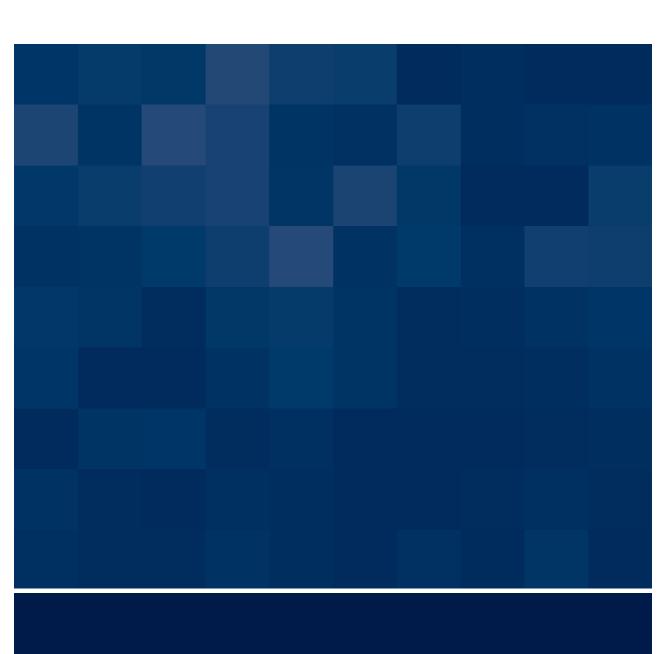
Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	4,815.3 g (net)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Canada
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

One target was arrested and charged with drug-related offences.



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Date of application:

5 November 2015

Authorising officer:

Scott Lee, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 2.16 pm on 6 November 2015 Scott Lee, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

6 November 2015 to 5 February 2017

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 26 October 2016 On 1 November 2016 Justine Saunders, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 2 February 2016

On 2 February 2016 Robert Deutsch, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 5 May 2016.

Date of variation application: 4 May 2016

On 4 May 2016 Naida Isenberg, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 5 August 2016.

Date of variation application: 3 August 2016

On 3 August 2016 Naida Isenberg, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 5 November 2016.

Date of variation application: 3 November 2016

On 3 November 2016 Stephen Edward Frost, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 5 February 2017.

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of money laundering, firearms and abuse of public office.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

No conduct was engaged in.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The controlled operation identified a person of interest. Some aspects of the investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

16 February 2016

Authorising officer

Leanne Close, Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 1.25 pm on 23 February 2016 Leanne Close, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

26 February 2016 to 22 August 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 18 May 2016

On 18 May 2016 James Constance, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 22 August 2016

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications in relation to the importation of border-controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

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Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

17 March 2016

Authorising officer

Michael Phelan, Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 2.44 pm on 23 March 2016 Michael Phelan, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

23 March 2016 to 22 September 2016

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 27 May 2016 On 30 May 2016 Michael Phelan, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 21 June 2016

On 21 June 2016 Stephen Edward Frost, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 22 September 2016

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of terrorism.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in online discussions in relation to terrorism-related activities and in a manner supportive of terrorism.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

8 April 2016

Authorising officer

lan McCartney, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 4.02 pm on 8 April 2016 Ian McCartney, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

8 April 2016 to 7 July 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of money laundering.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

There was no opportunity to engage in controlled conduct.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

7 April 2016

Authorising officer

Neil Gaughan, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.20 pm on 8 April 2016 Neil Gaughan, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

8 April 2016 to 7 January 2017

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 6 July 2016

On 6 July 2016 Gina Lazanas, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 7 October 2016

Date of variation application: 5 October 2016

On 5 October 2016 James William Constance, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 7 January 2017.

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of terrorism, importation of prohibited imports, and corruption of an officer of the Commonwealth, of a State or of a Territory.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications and discussions in relation to the purchase of firearms, movement of drugs and money laundering.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The AFP has gathered valuable information about the methodologies used in relation to drug importations. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

20 April 2016

Authorising officer

Peter Sykora, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 4.12 pm on 20 April 2016 Peter Sykora, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

20 April 2016 to 19 July 2016

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 9 May 2016 On 9 May 2016 Paul Osborne, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of money laundering.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications in relation to money-laundering.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Five targets were arrested and charged with fraud and money-laundering offences.

Date of application

21 April 2016

Authorising officer

Christopher Sheehan, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 4.03 pm on 21 April 2016 Christopher Sheehan, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

21 April 2016 to 20 July 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Ni

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activities of conspiracy to import and possession of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs, and manufacture and traffic of controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

There was no opportunity to engage in controlled conduct.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

26 April 2016

Authorising officer

lan McCartney, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 10.46 am on 2 May 2016 Ian McCartney, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

2 May 2016 to 28 July 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation of a commercial quantity of a border-controlled drug and precursor.

Cancellation

At 4.55 pm on 28 July 2016 Justine Saunders, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, cancelled the major controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer.

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications in relation to the importation and purchase of a commercial quantity of border-controlled precursors.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The AFP has gathered valuable information about the methodologies used in relation to drug importations. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

16 May 2016

Authorising officer

lan McCartney, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 2.56 pm on 19 May 2016 Ian McCartney, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

19 May 2016 to 9 November 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 17 August 2016

On 17 August 2016 Gary Humphries, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 18 November 2016

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activities of possession and supply of explosives.

Cancellation

At 5.52 pm on 9 November 2016 Neil Gaughan, an authorising officer, cancelled the major controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer.

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in meetings and discussions regarding the purchase and possession of explosives. Engaged in monetary transactions regarding the purchase of explosives and took possession of explosives.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Ni

Illicit goods

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection $_{15}HN(2)(a)$ of the Act.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

13 May 2016

Authorising officer

Ramzi Jabbour, Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 2.33 pm on 13 May 2016 Ramzi Jabbour, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

13 May 2016 to 12 August 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of money laundering.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

There was no opportunity to engage in controlled conduct.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

One target was arrested and charged with drug-trafficking and money laundering offences.

Date of application

16 May 2016

Authorising officer

lan McCartney, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.40 pm on 20 May 2016 Ian McCartney, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

20 May 2016 to 18 November 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 12 August 2016 On 12 August 2016 Stephanie Ann Forgie, a

nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 18 November 2016

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importing and trafficking both marketable and commercial quantities of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in discussions and arrangements regarding the purchase of border controlled drugs. Purchased illicit goods.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Ni

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	3,4-methylenedioxy- methamphetamine (MDMA)
Weight/Quantity	247 g (gross)
Current location	AFP. Samples have been sent to the National Measurement Institute.
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	During the controlled operation the illicit goods travelled from Melbourne to Sydney.
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	The following person/s had possession of the narcotic goods in the course of the operation: This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Outcomes

Two targets were arrested and charged with drug-related offences. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

1 June 2016

Authorising officer

lan McCartney, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 12.11 pm on 8 June 2016 Ian McCartney, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

8 June 2016 to 2 September 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of money laundering.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

There was no opportunity to engage in controlled conduct.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

One target was arrested and charged with drug-trafficking and money laundering offences.

Date of application

6 June 2016

Authorising officer

Christopher Sheehan, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.08 pm on 6 June 2016 Christopher Sheehan, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

6 June 2016 to 5 December 2016

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 1 September 2016 On 1 September 2016 Christopher Sheehan, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 2 September 2016 On 2 September 2016 Robert Deutsch, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the controlled operation should remain in effect until

5 December 2016

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

There was no opportunity to engage in controlled conduct.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Vil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

6 June 2016

Authorising officer

lan McCartney, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 7.01 pm on 6 June 2016 Ian McCartney, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

6 June 2016 to 5 September 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of money laundering.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in discussions and meetings in relation to money-laundering.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

No persons were arrested as a result of the controlled operation.

Date of application

16 June 2016

Authorising officer

lan McCartney, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 2.09 pm on 17 June 2016 Ian McCartney, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

17 June 2016 to 16 September 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of money laundering.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

There was no opportunity to engage in controlled conduct.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

17 June 2016

Authorising officer

Sharon Cowden. Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 4.26 pm on 17 June 2016 Sharon Cowden, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

17 June 2016 to 16 July 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Ni

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Changed an online tracking system in order to facilitate the delivery of the fully substituted consignments purporting to contain border-controlled drugs. Engaged in communications in relation to the delivery of the fully substituted consignments purporting to contain border-controlled drugs. Conducted the controlled delivery of the fully substituted consignments purporting to contain border-controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	30,835 g (net)
Current location	AFP Hong Kong Customs
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: China, Taiwan and Hong Kong
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation

Outcomes

Two targets were arrested and charged with drug-related offences. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

17 June 2016

Authorising officer

Peter Sykora, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.00 pm on 17 June 2016 Peter Sykora, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

17 June 2016 to 10 August 2016

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 24 June 2016

On 24 June 2016 Peter Sykora, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

Date of variation application: 12 July 2016

On 12 July 2016 Christopher Sheehan, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

Date of variation application: 22 July 2016

On 22 July 2016 John Beveridge, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

At 9.30 am on 10 August 2016 John Beveridge, an authorising officer, cancelled the controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer.

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Changed an online tracking system in order to facilitate the collection of the fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs. Engaged in communications in relation to the delivery and collection of the fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	125.7 kg (net)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Nigeria
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation

Outcomes

Three targets were arrested and charged with drug-related offences. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

20 June 2016

Authorising officer

Shane Connelly, Assistant Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 12.07 pm on 20 June 2016 Shane Connelly, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

20 June 2016 to 3 July 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications in relation to the delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs. Changed an online system in order to facilitate the delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	210 kg (net)
Current location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

22 June 2016

Authorising officer

John Beveridge, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 4.12 pm on 22 June 2016 John Beveridge, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

22 June 2016 to 15 August 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Ni

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

At 2.45 pm on 15 August 2016 Matthew Rippon, an authorising officer, cancelled the controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer.

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications in relation to the delivery of the fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs. Conducted the controlled delivery of the fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	45.636 kg (gross)
Current location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Nigeria
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Five targets were arrested and charged with drug-related offences.

Date of application

22 June 2016

Authorising officer

John Beveridge, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 8.36 am on 22 June 2016 John Beveridge, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

22 June 2016 to 12 July 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

At 10.57 am on 12 July 2016 John Beveridge, an authorising officer, cancelled the controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer.

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Undertook necessary administrative duties to facilitate the clearance and release of fully substituted consignments purporting to contain border-controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See table below.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	262 kg (gross)
Current location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: China
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Eight targets were arrested and charged with drug-related offences.

Date of application

5 July 2016

Authorising officer

Michael Phelan, Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 9.31 am on 6 July 2016 Michael Phelan, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

6 July 2016 to 27 September 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of terrorism.

Cancellation

At 4.00 pm on 27 September 2016 Michael Phelan, an authorising officer, cancelled the major controlled operation authority at the request of the principal law enforcement officer.

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

There was no opportunity to engage in controlled conduct.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

3 May 2016

Authorising officer

Michael Phelan, Deputy Commissioner

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 2.45 pm on 3 May 2016 Michael Phelan, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a major controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

3 May 2016 to 2 November 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 1 August 2016

On 1 August 2016 James Constance, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 2 November 2016

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of terrorism.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the major controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

There was no opportunity to engage in controlled conduct.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were seized as part of the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

28 June 2016

Authorising officer

Sharon Cowden, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 11.42 am on 28 June 2016 Sharon Cowden, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

28 June 2016 to 11 July 2016

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 30 June 2016 On 30 June 2016 Sharon Cowden, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications in relation to the delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs. Attempted the controlled delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Cocaine
Weight/Quantity	3,911.8 g (gross)
Current location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Philippines, Singapore
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Controlled Operation Number: 15-16/223

Date of application

30 June 2016

Authorising officer

Christopher Sheehan, Commander

Nature of application

The application was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(b) of the Act.

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.00 pm on 30 June 2016 Christopher Sheehan, an authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued an urgent authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

30 June 2016 to 6 July 2016

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border-controlled drugs.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provision of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Changed an online tracking system in order to facilitate the delivery of a fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs. Conducted a controlled delivery of the fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border-controlled drugs.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Vil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	2 kg (net)
Current location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: China
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No persons had possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

One target was arrested and charged with drug-related offences.



SCHEDULE 3 AUSTRALIAN COMMISSION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT INTEGRITY



Information withheld under the Crimes Act

Subsections 15HN(2), 15HN(4) and, in the case of operations prior to March 2010, the repealed subsections 15T(3) and 15T(4) of the Crimes Act require that reporting of controlled operations exclude information that could, if made public, endanger a person's safety, prejudice an investigation or prosecution, compromise any law enforcement agency's modus operandi, be contrary to the public interest or identify any person involved in an operation. When it is no longer necessary to exclude this information, it is published in a subsequent annual report.

Excluded information

ACLEI operations fully excluded

Nil

ACLEI operations partly excluded

Two

Previously excluded information published in 2016–17

ACLEI operations fully excluded - now reported in full

Nil

ACLEI operations partly excluded - now reported in full

Nil

ACLEI operations fully excluded – now reported in part

Nil

QUANTITATIVE SUMMARY

Subsection 15HM(1) of the Crimes Act stipulates that as soon as practicable after 31 December and 30 June in each financial year the chief officer of each authorising agency must submit a report to the Ombudsman setting out the details required by subsection 15HM(2). The following table sets out these details for 2016–17.

Provision	Details Required	Number
Subsection	Formal authorities that were:	
15HM(2)(a)	granted by an ACLEI authorising officer during the period:	2
	varied by an ACLEI authorising officer during the period:	0
Subsection	Formal applications for formal authorities refused by an ACLEI	
15HM(2)(b)	authorising officer during the period:	0
Subsection	Formal variation applications for variation of formal authorities	
15HM(2)(c)	refused by an ACLEI authorising officer:	0
	Urgent variation applications for variation of formal authorities refused by an ACLEI authorising officer:	
		0
Subsection	Urgent authorities that were:	
15HM(2)(d)	 granted by an ACLEI authorising officer during the period: varied by an ACLEI authorising officer during the period: 	0
		0
Subsection 15HM(2)(e)	Formal applications for urgent authorities refused by an ACLEI authorising officer:	
151 IIVI(2)(e)	Urgent applications for urgent authorities refused by an ACLEI	0
	authorising officer:	0
Subsection	Formal variation applications for the variation of urgent	
15HM(2)(f)	authorities refused by an ACLEI authorising officer:	0
	Urgent variation applications for the variation of urgent authorities refused by an ACLEI authorising officer:	
	authorities letuseu by an Actti authorising officer.	0
Subsection	Formal authorities that were varied by a nominated AAT member	
15HM(2)(g)	during the period:	0
Subsection	Formal variation applications for variation of formal authorities	
15HM(2)(h)	refused by a nominated AAT member:	0
	Urgent variation applications for variation of formal authorities refused by a nominated AAT member:	
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Subsection	Authorities for controlled operations that	
15HM(2)(t)	were cancelled by an ACLEI authorising officer during the period:	
	expired during the period:	1
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Some of the authorities issued during the 2016–17 reporting year were still ongoing at the end of the reporting period; these authorities are included in the first annual report after they have expired.

Controlled Operation Number: ACLEI COA 01-2017

Date of application

19 January 2017

Authorising officer

Michael Griffin AM, Integrity Commissioner

Nature of application

Formal

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted

Period of effect of authority

19 January 2017 to 17 February 2017

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Cancelled 17 February 2017 by Michael Griffin AM, Integrity Commissioner due to successful completion of controlled operation.

Nature of criminal activities

Abuse of Public Office – Section 142.2(1) of the *Criminal Code Act 1995* (Cth)

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(2)(a) and 15HN(4) of the *Crimes Act* 1914 (Cth).

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(2)(a) and 15HN(4) of the *Crimes Act* 1914 (Cth).

Details of personal injuries during the controlled operation

Nil

Details of damage to property during the controlled operation

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

A brief of evidence was collated for several offences:

- Abuse of Public Office, contrary to section 142.2(1) of the *Criminal Code Act 1995* (Cth)
- Unauthorised Access to Restricted Data, contrary to section 478.1 of the *Criminal Code* Act 1995 (Cth)
- Unauthorised communication of prescribed information, contrary to section 6oA (Secrecy) of the *Australian Federal Police Act 1979* (Cth)

This was referred to the CDPP on 21 July 2017, pursuant to section 142 of the *Law Enforcement Integrity Commissioner Act 2006* (Cth).

Controlled Operation Number: ACLEI COA 02-2017

Date of application

3 February 2017

Authorising officer

Michael Griffin AM, Integrity Commissioner

Nature of application

Formal

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted

Period of effect of authority

3 February 2017 to 4 March 2017

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Expired 4 March 2017

Nature of criminal activities

Abuse of Public Office – Section 142.2(1) of the *Criminal Code Act 1995* (Cth)

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(2)(a) and 15HN(4) of the *Crimes Act* 1914 (Cth).

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(2)(a) and 15HN(4) of the *Crimes Act* 1914 (Cth).

Details of personal injuries during the controlled operation

Nil

Details of damage to property during the controlled operation

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

A brief of evidence was collated for the offence of Abuse of Public Office, contrary to section 142.2(1) of the *Criminal Code Act* 1995 (Cth).

This will be referred to the CDPP pursuant to section 142 of the *Law Enforcement Integrity Commissioner Act 2006* (Cth).



SCHEDULE 4 AUSTRALIAN CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE COMMISSION



Information withheld under the Crimes Act

Subsections 15HN(2), 15HN(4) and, in the case of operations prior to March 2010, the repealed subsections 15T(3) and 15T(4) of the Crimes Act require that reporting of controlled operations exclude information that could, if made public, endanger a person's safety, prejudice an investigation or prosecution, compromise any law enforcement agency's modus operandi, be contrary to the public interest or identify any person involved in an operation. When it is no longer necessary to exclude this information, it is published in a subsequent annual report.

Excluded information

ACIC operations fully excluded

The following operations, which were authorised or ongoing in 2016–17 but not completed at 30 June 2017, will be reported on when the operation is completed:

CO17006/01/0	CO17010/00/0	CO17015/00/0	CO17016/00/0
CO17017/00/0	CO17018/00/0	CO17019/00/0	CO17020/00/1
CO17021/00/0	CO17022/00/0	CO17023/00/0	CO17025/00/0
CO17028/00/0			

Note that application numbers were allocated to CO16020/00/0, CO16031/00/0, CO16034/00/0, CO16038/00/0, CO17009/00/0 and CO17011/00/0 during the period but the applications did not proceed to an authorised officer for consideration and no authority was granted.

ACIC operations partly excluded - not to be reported

ACC SOC 002

ACC 2003-04 / 6, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 19

ACC 2004-05 / 1, 2, 3 and 6

ACC 2005-06 / 1 to 12

ACC 2006-07/1 to 4

ACC 2007-08 / 2 to 15

ACC 2008-09 / 1, 2, 4-7, 9-11, 13-17, 20-23

ACC 2009-10 / 1 to 4 and 7 to 13

These authorities remain the subject of partial exclusions based on now repealed subsections 15T(3) and 15T(4) and are not reported on in this annual report.

ACIC operations partly excluded

CO15016/00/0	CO16011/00/0	CO16012/00/0	CO16013/00/0	CO16014/00/0
CO16016/00/0	CO16017/00/0	CO16018/00/0	CO16019/00/0	CO16023/00/0
CO16024/00/0	CO16027/00/0	CO16028/00/0	CO16030/00/0	CO15013/05/3
CO15015/05/2	CO16021/01/0	CO16022/01/2	CO16025/02/0	CO16026/02/0
CO16032/01/0	CO16033/00/0	CO16036/00/0	CO16037/00/0	CO17001/00/0
CO17002/00/0	CO17003/00/0	CO17004/00/0	CO17005/00/1	CO17007/00/1
CO17008/00/0	CO17012/00/0	CO17013/00/0	CO17014/00/0	

Previously excluded information published in 2016–17

ACIC operations fully excluded – now reported in full

CO16015/00/0

ACIC operations partly excluded – now reported in full

Nil

ACIC operations fully excluded – now reported in part

CO16011/00/0	CO16012/00/0	CO16013/00/0	CO16014/00/0	CO16016/00/0
CO16017/00/0	CO16018/00/0			

QUANTITATIVE SUMMARY

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Provision	Details Required	Number
Subsection	Formal authorities that were:	
15HM(2)(a)	granted by an ACIC authorising officer during the period:	37 ¹
	varied by an ACIC authorising officer during the period:	72
Subsection	Formal applications for formal authorities refused by an ACIC	
15HM(2)(b)	authorising officer during the period:	0
Subsection	Formal variation applications for variation of formal authorities	
15HM(2)(c)	refused by an ACIC authorising officer:	0
	Urgent variation applications for variation of formal authorities	
	refused by an ACIC authorising officer:	0
Subsection	Urgent authorities that were:	
15HM(2)(d)	granted by an ACIC authorising officer during the period:	23
	varied by an ACIC authorising officer during the period:	0
Subsection	Formal applications for urgent authorities refused by an ACIC	
15HM(2)(e)	authorising officer:	0
	Urgent applications for urgent authorities refused by an ACIC	
	authorising officer:	0
Subsection	Formal variation applications for the variation of urgent	
15HM(2)(f)	authorities refused by an ACIC authorising officer:	0
	Urgent variation applications for the variation of urgent	
	authorities refused by an ACIC authorising officer:	0
Subsection	Formal authorities that were varied by a nominated AAT member	
15HM(2)(g)	during the period:	11 4

¹ C016019/00/o, C016021/01/o, C016022/01/2, C016023/00/o, C016024/00/o, C016025/02/o, C016026/02/o, C016028/00/o, C016029/00/o, C016030/00/o, C016032/01/o, C016033/00/o, C016035/00/o, C016036/00/o, C016037/00/o, C017001/00/o, C017002/00/o, C017003/00/o, C017005/00/1, C017006/01/o, C017007/00/1, C017008/00/o, C017010/00/o, C017013/00/o, C017014/00/o, C017015/00/o, C017016/00/o, C017017/00/o, C017018/00/o, C017019/00/o, C017020/00/1, C017021/00/o, C017022/00/o, C017022/00/o, C017022/00/o, C017022/00/o, C017022/00/o, C017022/00/o.

² CO15013/05/3, CO15015/05/2, CO16011/00/0, CO16022/01/2, CO17005/00/1, CO17007/00/1 and CO17020/00/1.

³ CO16027/00/0 and CO17004/00/0.

⁴ C015013/05/3, C015015/05/2, C015016/00/0, C016011/00/0, C016017/00/0, C016021/01/0, C016022/01/2, C016025/02/0, C016026/02/0, C016032/01/0 and C017006/01/0.

Provision	Details Required	Number
Subsection 15HM(2)(h)	Formal variation applications for variation of formal authorities refused by a nominated AAT member:	0
	Urgent variation applications for variation of formal authorities	
	refused by a nominated AAT member:	0
Subsection	Authorities for controlled operations that	
15HM(2)(t)	were cancelled by an ACIC authorising officer during the period:	25
	expired during the period:	36 ⁶

Some of the authorities issued during the 2016–17 reporting year were still ongoing at the end of the reporting period; these authorities are included in the first annual report after they have expired.

⁵ CO15016/00/0 and CO16025/02/0.

⁶ C015013/05/3, C015014/00/0, C015015/05/2, C016011/00/0, C016012/00/0, C016013/00/0, C016014/00/0, C016015/00/0, C016016/00/0, C016017/00/0, C016018/00/0, C016019/00/0, C016021/01/0, C016022/01/2, C016023/00/0, C016024/00/0, C016026/02/0, C016027/00/0, C016028/00/0, C016029/00/0, C016030/00/0, C016032/01/0, C016033/00/0, C016035/00/0, C016036/00/0, C016037/00/0, C017001/00/0, C017002/00/0, C017003/00/0, C017005/00/1, C017005/00/1, C017008/00/0, C017012/00/0, C017013/00/0 and C017014/00/0.

Controlled Operation Number: CO15013/05/3

Date of application

28 September 2015

Authorising officer

Morgan Matthews, Acting State Manager Victoria, Australian Crime Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

29 September 2015 to 15 March 2017

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Variation 3 was applied for and granted 26 August 2016 by ACIC authorising officer Jason Halls, State Manager ACIC Victoria.

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Variation (Extension 4) was applied for and granted 19 September 2016 by Egon Fice, Senior Member AAT.

Variation (Extension 5) was applied for and granted 16 December 2016 by Stephanie Forgie, Deputy President AAT.

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into money and/or property-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection $_{15}HN(_{2})(a)$, (b), and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

Communications with targets in relation to money laundering activities.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

The controlled operation resulted in the arrest of fourteen persons for money laundering and drug importation offences. A large amount of cash and two firearms were seized. The ACIC gathered valuable information on methodologies relating to drug importation and money laundering.

Controlled Operation Number: CO15014/00/0

Date of application

12 October 2015

Authorising officer

Morgan Matthews, Acting State Manager Victoria, Australian Crime Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

12 October 2015 to 07 July 2016

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACC investigation into large-scale drug trafficking- supply, and related money and property-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Unidentified persons conducting large-scale drug trafficking and money- laundering activities.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

No controlled activity was undertaken under this authority.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

Controlled Operation Number: CO15015/05/2

Date of application

o2 December 2015

Authorising officer

Jason Halls, Acting State Manager Victoria, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

02 December 2015 to 21 May 2017

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Variation 1 was applied for and granted on 26 July 2016 by ACIC authorising officer Jason Halls, Acting State Manager Victoria.

Variation 2 was applied for and granted on 19 September 2016 by ACIC authorising officer Jason Halls, Acting State Manager Victoria.

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Variation (Extension 3) was applied for and granted 26 August 2016 by Regina Lillian Perton, Member AAT.

Variation (Extension 4) was applied for and granted 23 November 2016 by Regina Lillian Perton, Member AAT.

Variation (Extension 5) was applied for and granted 22 February 2017 by Stephanie Ann Forgie, Deputy President AAT.

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation organised money and/or property-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15 HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Illicit goods

Nature and quantity	A quantity of drugs (approximately 3 kilograms) was seized, along with approximately \$950,000 in cash suspected to be proceeds of crime. See narcotic goods below for further details.
Route illicit goods passed in the course of the operation, including foreign countries	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Unknown. The cash (proceeds of crime) was seized in Australia.

Narcotic goods

Type	Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.
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Weight/Quantity	Approximately 3 kilograms.
Current Location	The drugs were seized as evidence by Australian law enforcement and to our knowledge have remained in their custody pending normal legal process.
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled:	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Unknown The narcotics were seized in Australia.
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation:	Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Outcomes

Six persons were arrested and charged with drug trafficking and money laundering offences.

Controlled Operation Number: CO15016/00/0

Date of application

16 December 2015

Authorising officer

Jason Halls, Acting State Manager Victoria, Australian Crime Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

16 December 2015 to 25 October 2016

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Variation (Extension 3) was applied for and granted of September 2016 by Regina Perton, a nominated AAT Member

Cancellation of authority

The authority was cancelled on 25 October 2016 by ACIC authorising officer, Jason Halls, Acting State Manager Victoria.

Reasons for cancellation

The authority was cancelled as the objective of the operation had been achieved so it was no longer required.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACC investigation into large-scale drug trafficking - supply, and related money and/or property-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections $_{15}HN(2)$ and $_{(4)}$ of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Illicit goods

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Controlled Operation Number: CO16011/00/0

Date of application

13 May 2016

Authorising officer

Charles Carver, State Manager Queensland, Australian Crime Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

13 May 2016 to 1 November 2016

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Variation 1 was applied for and granted o3 August 2016 by ACIC authorising officer Charles Carver, State Manager Queensland.

Variation 2 was applied for and granted o2 September 2016 by ACIC authorising officer Charles Carver, State Manager Queensland.

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for and granted 04 August 2016 by Dr Peter Malcolm McDermott, Deputy President AAT.

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACC investigation into large-scale drug trafficking, and related money and property-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

Communications with target in relation to drug supply activities.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

Evidence of the target's ongoing involvement in drug supply was obtained. The target's business associates were also implicated in possible financial crimes.

Controlled Operation Number: CO16012/00/0

Date of application

26 April 2016

Authorising officer

Warren Gray, State Manager New South Wales, Australian Crime Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

26 April 2016 to 24 July 2016

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACC investigation into organised money-laundering and fraud activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

No controlled activity was undertaken under this authority.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

Controlled Operation Number: CO16013/00/0

Date of application

26 April 2016

Authorising officer

Warren Gray, State Manager, New South Wales, Australian Crime Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

26 April 2016 to 24 July 2016

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACC investigation into organised money-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

No controlled activity was undertaken under this authority.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

Controlled Operation Number: CO16014/00/0

Date of application

13 May 2016

Authorising officer

Charles Carver, State Manager Queensland, Australian Crime Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

13 May 2016 to 12 August 2016

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACC investigation into large-scale drug trafficking and supply, and related money and property-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

Nil, the attempted controlled activity was unsuccessful.

Controlled Operation Number: CO16015/00/0

Date of application

17 May 2016

Authorising officer

Jason Halls, Acting State Manager Victoria, Australian Crime Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

17 May 2016 to 16 August 2016

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACC investigation into organised money-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Unidentified persons conducting large-scale money-laundering activities.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

No controlled activity was undertaken under this authority.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

Controlled Operation Number: CO16016/00/0

Date of application

31 May 2016

Authorising officer

Jason Halls, Acting State Manager Victoria, Australian Crime Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

31 May 2016 to 30 August 2016

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACC investigation into organised money-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

The controlled operation successfully identified persons involved in domestic money-laundering activities, working on behalf of an organised criminal syndicate.

Controlled Operation Number: CO16017/00/0

Date of application

24 May 2016

Authorising officer

Jason Halls, Acting State Manager Victoria, Australian Crime Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

25 May 2016 to 22 November 2016

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for and granted 23 August 2016 by Regina Lillian Perton, a nominated AAT Member.

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACC investigation into money-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

The controlled operation identified a person suspected of involvement in criminal activities on behalf of an existing target of the operation. The operation enhanced the ACIC's intelligence holdings.

Controlled Operation Number: CO16018/00/0

Date of application

10 June 2016

Authorising officer

Jason Halls, Acting State Manager Victoria, Australian Crime Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

10 June 2016 to 09 September 2016

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACC investigation into cross-border trafficking of illegal firearms and any related organised money and property-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

Nil, the controlled activity did not produce meaningful intelligence.

Controlled Operation Number: CO16019/00/0

Date of application

14 July 2016

Authorising officer

Nicholas Wolanin, Acting State Manager New South Wales, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

14 July 2016 to 13 October 2016

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into drug trafficking and supply, cross-border firearms trafficking, money-laundering, fraud and use of a telecommunications network for criminal activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

No controlled activity was undertaken under this authority.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

Controlled Operation Number: CO16021/01/0

Date of application

20 September 2016

Authorising officer

Jason Halls, State Manager Victoria, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

20 September 2016 to 19 March 2017

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for and granted 16 December 2016 by Stephanie Forgie, Deputy President AAT

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACC investigation into organized money and/or property-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

Two persons were arrested and charged with dealing in money reasonably suspected of being proceeds of crime. In addition, the ACIC gathered valuable information about a criminal syndicate, including identifying additional persons of interest. Information obtained from this controlled operation also assisted partner agencies in furthering investigations into a target of the operation.

Controlled Operation Number: CO16022/01/2

Date of application

20 July 2016

Authorising officer

Nicholas Wolanin, Acting State Manager New South Wales, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

20 July 2016 to 14 January 2017

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Variation 1 was applied for and granted 29 July 2016 by ACIC authorising officer Warren Gray, State Manager New South Wales.

Variation 2 was applied for and granted 14 October 2016 by ACIC authorising officer Warren Gray, State Manager New South Wales.

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for and granted 17 October 2016 by Robert Deutsch, Deputy President AAT.

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into large-scale drug trafficking and/or supply, and related money and/or property-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

Communications with the target of the operation about drug-related and other criminal activities.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

No persons were arrested however the ACIC gathered valuable intelligence in relation to the target and a criminal network, as well as drug importation methodologies generally.

Controlled Operation Number: CO16023/00/0

Date of application

22 July 2016

Authorising officer

Jason Halls, Acting State Manager Victoria, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

22 July 2016 to 21 October 2016

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into drug trafficking and supply.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

No controlled activity was undertaken under this authority.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

Controlled Operation Number: CO16024/00/0

Date of application

29 July 2016

Authorising officer

Warren Gray, State Manager New South Wales, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

o2 August 2016 to 01 November 2016

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into large-scale drug trafficking and supply.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

Communications with one of the targets of the operation.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

Nil, although controlled activity was undertaken, no evidence of illegal activity was obtained.

Controlled Operation Number: CO16025/02/0

Date of application

19 August 2016

Authorising officer

Jason Halls, State Manager Victoria Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

23 August 2016 to 01 May 2017

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for and granted 17 November 2016 by Egon Fice, Senior Member AAT.

Variation (Extension 2) was applied for and granted 20 February 2017 by Stephanie Ann Forgie, Deputy President AAT.

Cancellation of authority

The authority was cancelled on o1 May 2017 by ACIC authorising officer Jason Halls, Acting State Manager Victoria.

Reasons for cancellation

The authority was cancelled following the arrest of the target.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into organised money-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

One person was implicated in money laundering offences and will be charged in a foreign country. The other targets are the subject of an ongoing investigation by the ACIC.

Controlled Operation Number: CO16026/02/0

Date of application

19 August 2016

Authorising officer

Charles Carver, State Manager Queensland, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

19 August 2016 to 17 May 2017

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for and granted 17 November 2016 by Egon Fice, Senior Member AAT.

Variation (Extension 2) was applied for and granted 14 February 2017 by Peter McDermott, Deputy President AAT.

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into large-scale drug trafficking and supply, and related property-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

Two persons were arrested and charged with proceeds of crime offences, a further two persons will be charged with money laundering offences in a foreign country. The ACIC also identified other persons of interest and aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Controlled Operation Number: CO16027/00/0

Date of application

16 August 2016

Authorising officer

Charles Carver, State Manager Queensland, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

Nature of application

Urgent application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

16 August 2016 to 22 August 2016

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into large-scale drug trafficking and/or supply, including money and property-laundering related activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

No controlled activity was undertaken under this authority.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

Controlled Operation Number: CO16028/00/0

Date of application

29 August 2016

Authorising officer

Charles Carver, State Manager Queensland, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

30 August 2016 to 29 November 2016

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into large-scale drug trafficking and/or supply, including money and property-laundering related activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

No controlled activity was undertaken under this authority.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

Controlled Operation Number: CO16029/00/0

Date of application

o2 September 2016

Authorising officer

Jason Halls, Acting State Manager Victoria, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

02 September 2016 to 01 December 2016

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into large-scale drug trafficking and/or supply, and related money-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Unidentified persons conducting large-scale drug trafficking and money-laundering activities.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

No controlled activity was undertaken under this authority.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

Controlled Operation Number: CO16030/00/0

Date of application

21 September 2016

Authorising officer

Jason Halls, Acting State Manager Victoria, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

21 September 2016 to 20 December 2016

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into criminal offences associated with organised money-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections $_{15}HN(2)$ and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Controlled Operation Number: CO16032/01/0

Date of application

04 October 2016

Authorising officer

Jason Halls, Acting State Manager Victoria, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

04 October 2016 to 03 April 2017

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for and granted 20 December 2016 by Stephanie Forgie, Deputy President AAT

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into organised money-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

Communications with targets of the operation in relation to money-laundering activities.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

One person was arrested and charged with money laundering offences.

Controlled Operation Number: CO16033/00/0

Date of application

16 November 2016

Authorising officer

Warren Gray, State Manager New South Wales, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

17 November 2016 to 14 February 2017

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into organised money-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

No controlled activity was undertaken under this authority.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

Controlled Operation Number: CO16035/00/0

Date of application

30 November 2016

Authorising officer

Warren Gray, State Manager New South Wales, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

30 November 2016 to 27 February 2017

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into use of a telecommunications network for criminal activities, large-scale drug trafficking and/or supply, and related money and property-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Unidentified persons suspected of criminal offences relating to drug trafficking, money and property-laundering.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

Communications with the targets of the operation about drug-related and other criminal activities.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

No persons were arrested however the ACIC obtained valuable information about drug importation methodologies.

Controlled Operation Number: CO16036/00/0

Date of application

22 December 2016

Authorising officer

Jason Halls, State Manager Victoria, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

22 December 2016 to 21 March 2017

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into large-scale drug trafficking and/or supply, and related money-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections $_{15}HN(2)$ and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

The ACIC has gathered valuable intelligence on the target's involvement in money laundering activities. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Controlled Operation Number: CO16037/00/0

Date of application

21 December 2016

Authorising officer

Warren Gray, State Manager New South Wales, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

21 December 2016 to 20 March 2017

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into organised money-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

Communications with the target of the controlled operation in relation to money laundering activities.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

The ACIC obtained valuable intelligence about the target's money-laundering capabilities and methodology.

Controlled Operation Number: CO17001/00/0

Date of application

24 January 2017

Authorising officer

Charles Carver, State Manager Queensland, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

24 January 2017 to 23 April 2017

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into large-scale drug trafficking and/or supply, and related money and/or property-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

Communications with the targets of the operation in relation to drug-related and other criminal activities.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Narcotic goods

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Outcomes

Three targets were arrested and charged with drug trafficking offences.

Controlled Operation Number: CO17002/00/0

Date of application

23 January 2017

Authorising officer

Warren Gray, State Manager New South Wales, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

23 January 2017 to 22 April 2017

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into organised money and/or property-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

No persons have been arrested, however the controlled operation identified persons and activities of continued interest to law enforcement. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Controlled Operation Number: CO17003/00/0

Date of application

07 February 2017

Authorising officer

Jason Halls, State Manager Victoria, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

o7 February 2017 to 06 May 2017

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into organised money-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

The ACIC gathered valuable intelligence about money-laundering networks and methodologies.

Controlled Operation Number: CO17004/00/0

Date of application

o8 February 2017

Authorising officer

Jason Halls, State Manager Victoria, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

Nature of application

Urgent application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

08 February 2017 to 14 February 2017

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into money-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

This controlled operation resulted in seizure of illicit funds and disruption of a money laundering syndicate.

Controlled Operation Number: CO17005/00/1

Date of application

17 February 2017

Authorising officer

Jason Halls, State Manager Victoria, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

17 February 2017 to 16 May 2017

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Variation 1 was granted on 21 February 2017 by ACIC authorising officer Jason Halls, State Manager Victoria acting on his own initiative pursuant to \$1560.

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into organised money and property- laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

The controlled operation gathered intelligence relating to organised money remittance methodologies. In addition, a significant person of interest was identified.

Controlled Operation Number: CO17007/00/1

Date of application

17 March 2017

Authorising officer

Jason Halls, State Manager Victoria, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

17 March 2017 to 16 June 2017

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Variation 1 was granted on 20 March 2017 by ACIC authorising officer Jason Halls, State Manager Victoria acting on his own initiative pursuant to \$1560.

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into large-scale drug trafficking and/or supply, and related money and/or property-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

No controlled activity was undertaken under this authority.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

Controlled Operation Number: CO17008/00/0

Date of application

20 March 2017

Authorising officer

Warren Gray, State Manager New South Wales, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

20 March 2017 to 19 June 2017

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into organised money-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

No controlled activity was undertaken under this authority.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

Controlled Operation Number: CO17012/00/0

Date of application

31 March 2017

Authorising officer

Jason Halls, State Manager Victoria, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

31 March 2017 to 30 June 2017

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into money-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

Two persons were arrested and charged with money laundering offences and an additional person may be charged with offences in a foreign country. The ACIC also gathered valuable intelligence on money laundering networks and other persons of interest.

Controlled Operation Number: CO17013/00/0

Date of application

27 March 2017

Authorising officer

Jason Halls, State Manager Victoria, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

27 March 2017 to 26 June 2017

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into organised money-laundering activities.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

No controlled activity was undertaken under this authority.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

Controlled Operation Number: CO17014/00/0

Date of application

31 March 2017

Authorising officer

Jason Halls, State Manager Victoria, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission

Nature of application

Formal application

Decision of authorising officer

Application was granted.

Period of effect

31 March 2017 to 30 June 2017

Applications to authorising officer to vary authority

Nil

Applications to AAT member to vary authority

Nil

Cancellation of authority

Not applicable

Reasons for cancellation

Not applicable

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into large-scale drug trafficking and/or supply.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of controlled conduct engaged in

Communications with the targets of the operation about drug-related criminal activities.

Details of any loss of, or serious damage to, property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

ACIC gathered valuable intelligence regarding the targets of the operation.