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Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity



27 November 2020

The Hon Peter Dutton MP Minister for Home Affairs House of Representatives Parliament House Canberra ACT 2600

The Australian Federal Police, the Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity and the Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission are pleased to submit the controlled operations annual report 2019–20.

Pursuant to section 15HN, Part IAB, of the *Crimes Act 1914* (Cth), 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 2019 and 30 June 2020 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

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INTRODUCTION

The controlled operations annual report 2019–20 is the 24th issued under Part IAB of the *Crimes Act 1914* (Cth) (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 2019–20 reporting period shows continued success through the seizures of border controlled drugs for the Australian Federal Police (AFP). One controlled operation saw the seizure of more than 150 kilograms of methamphetamine, preventing \$35 million of harm to the community. Through a joint law enforcement operation 645 kilograms of 3,4-Methylenedioxymethamphetamine (MDMA) was seized in Sydney and resulted in multiple arrests. The controlled operation regime has also been integral to the successful outcome of multiple terrorism-related and child exploitation 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 ACIC'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 ACIC. This annual report refers to controlled operations authorities that were issued before that date but remained active within the 2019–20 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.

When appropriate, the Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity (ACLEI) conducts controlled operations in support of its investigations into corrupt conduct by law enforcement officials.

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, with these requirements still applying to certain matters.

Part A. Current legislative requirements

Crimes Act 1914 (Cth)

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 Act – Controlled operations.

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 section 15DG of 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
- 3. 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**, pursuant to section 15GE of the Act, means an offence against a law of the Commonwealth that is punishable on conviction by imprisonment for a period of three years or more, or a Commonwealth offence that involves a matter specified by subsection 15GE(2), including: theft, fraud, tax evasion, illegal gambling, extortion, bribery of a public official, people smuggling and slavery.

A **major controlled operation** is defined by subsection 15GD(2) of the Act as being a controlled operation that is likely to:

- 1. 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 governs applications for authorities to conduct controlled operations.

An Australian law enforcement officer may apply to an authorising officer for an authority to conduct a controlled operation. An authorising officer for a controlled operation is pursuant to section 15GF of the Act.

Both formal and urgent applications must provide sufficient information to enable the authorising officer to decide whether or not to grant the application, state whether an earlier application has been made, and state the proposed period of effect of the authority (pursuant to subsection 15GH(4)). The proposed period of effect of the authority must not exceed three months in the case of a formal application, or seven days in the case of an urgent application. Additionally, an authorising officer can require an applicant to produce additional information (per subsection 15GH(5)).

Determination of applications

Section 15GI governs the determination of applications, including what factors should be taken into consideration by the authorising officer. Pursuant to subsection 15GI(1) the authorising officer may either grant or refuse an application, and where they grant an application, the authorisation may be subject to conditions. Subsection 15GI(2) furthermore outlines criteria that the authorising officer must be satisfied are met in order to grant an authority, including: that a serious offence has been committed or is being or is likely to be committed, or that an integrity testing authority is in effect in relation to an offence that it is suspected has been, is being or is likely to be committed by a staff member of a target agency; that the severity of the criminal activity is such as to justify the conduct of the proposed controlled operation; that an offence that they would not otherwise have committed; the risks posed by the proposed controlled operation; and, the question of whether any civilian role in the controlled operation could be adequately performed by a law enforcement officer instead.

Controlled operation authorities

Section 15GK sets out requirements for the form a controlled operations authority must take, including that an authority must state: the name of the applicant, certain information concerning the illicit goods, the identity of persons authorised to engage in the controlled conduct, and the nature of the criminal activity being targeted.

The person responsible for an individual controlled operation is then the principal law enforcement officer specified in the authority (per section 15GC).

Period of effect

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

A formal controlled operation authority must specify the period of effect of the authority, this being a period of less than three months (per subsection 15GK(1)(h)). The authority will then expire at the end of the period of its effect (pursuant to section 15GN), unless it has been extended under either subdivision B or C of the Division. If a formal controlled operation authority needs to be extended, then a variation application needs to be made. The variation application to extend the period of effect of a formal controlled operation authority beyond three months must be presented to a nominated Administrative Appeals Tribunal (AAT) member, who may extend the period of effect for up to three months at a time (pursuant to section 15GT). However, of note is that, per subsection 15GT(3) the total period of effect for a formal or major controlled operation authority cannot exceed 24 months.

Variations to the authority

Variation of a controlled operations authority can be made (pursuant to section 15GO) by an appropriate authorising officer. The appropriate authorising officer may, either at any time on their own initiative, or on application (under subsection 15GP(1)):

- 1. extend the period of effect of the authority (subject to subsections (3) and (4) of section 15GO); or
- 2. 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
 - a. with respect to additional civilian participants the particular controlled conduct (if any) that each such participant may engage in; or
- 2. provide that specified persons are no longer authorised to engage in controlled conduct for the purposes of the controlled operation; or
- 3. authorise participants in the controlled operation to engage in additional or alternative controlled conduct.

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 (pursuant to section 15GY).

Reporting requirements

Six-monthly reports to the Minister and Ombudsman

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

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) regarding the controlled operations that agency had authority over during the previous 12 months. A copy of a report given to the Minister under section 15HN must also be given to the Ombudsman at the same time.

The AFP prepared the controlled operations annual report 2019–20 in consultation with the ACIC and ACLEI.

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

Material excluded from reporting

In accordance with the now repealed subsection 15T(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. Additionally, 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 of ACLEI or the Chief Executive Officer of the ACIC may either endanger the safety of a person, or prejudice an investigation or prosecution, then the Minister must consequently exclude the information from the report under subsection 15T(4) of the Act. If information is excluded pursuant to subsection 15T(4) in the version of the report provided to 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
ACC	Australian Crime Commission
ACIC	Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission
AFP	Australian Federal Police

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 1914 (Cth)

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 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			
17–18/44			
18–19/93	18–19/94	18–19/97	
19–20/05	19–20/14	19–20/23	19–20/55

AFP operations partly excluded

19–20/04 19–20/10 19–20/61

Previously excluded information published in 2019–2020

AFP operations fully excluded - now reported in full

17-18/118

18–19/15	18–19/30	18–19/69	18–19/75	18—19/77
18–19/81	18–19/82	18–19/84	18–19/87	18—19/88
18–19/89	18–19/91	18–19/95	18–19/96	18—19/98

18-19/99

AFP operations partly excluded – now reported in full

Nil

AFP operations fully excluded – now reported in part 17–18/64

18–19/85

QUANTITATIVE SUMMARY

Subsection 15HM(1) of the 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 2019–2020.

Provision	Details required	Number
Subsection 15HM(2)(a)	Formal authorities that were:	
	 granted by an AFP authorising officer during the period varied by an AFP authorising officer during the period 	86 30
Subsection 15HM(2)(b)	Formal applications for formal authorities refused by an AFP authorising officer during the period	0
Subsection 15HM(2)(c)	Formal variation applications for variation of formal authorities refused by an AFP authorising officer	0
	Urgent variation applications for variation of formal authorities refused by an AFP authorising officer	0
Subsection 15HM(2)(d)	Urgent authorities that were:	
	 granted by an AFP authorising officer during the period varied by an AFP authorising officer during the period 	6 2
Subsection 15HM(2)(e)	Formal applications for urgent authorities refused by an AFP authorising officer	0
	Urgent applications for urgent authorities refused by an AFP authorising officer	0
Subsection 15HM(2)(f)	Formal variation applications for the variation of urgent authorities refused by an AFP authorising officer	0
	Urgent variation applications for the variation of urgent authorities refused by an AFP authorising officer	0
Subsection 15HM(2)(g)	Formal authorities that were varied by a nominated AAT member during the period	46
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 15HM(2)(t)	Authorities for controlled operations that:	
	 were cancelled by an AFP authorising officer during the period expired during the period 	31 54
Not applicable	Authorities for controlled operations that were:	
	withdrawndid not progress to an authorising officer	0 0

Some of the authorities issued during the 2019–20 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

1 July 2019

Authorising officer

Amanda Kates, State Manager Victoria and Tasmania

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 7:20 am on 3 July 2019 Amanda Kates, 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 July 2019 to 9 July 2019

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 to facilitate delivery of fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. Attempted a controlled 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	3,4-Methylenedioxy- methamphetamine (MDMA)
Weight/Quantity	3,000 ml
Current Location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
	United Kingdom to Melbourne, Australia via air
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No person had possession of the narcotic good during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

No persons were arrested as a result of police actions. The AFP has gathered valuable information about the methodologies used in relation to drug importation.

Date of application

20 July 2019

Authorising officer

David McLean, State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 10:33 am on 20 July 2019 David McLean, 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 July 2019 to 8 January 2020

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 27 August 2019

On 27 August 2019 David McLean, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

Date of variation application: 30 August 2019

On 30 August 2019 David McLean, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

Date of variation application: 8 October 2019

On 8 October 2019 Neil Gaughan, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 11 October 2019

On 11 October 2019 Adria Marissa Polsak, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the controlled operation should remain in effect until 19 January 2020.

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

At 2:19 pm on 8 January 2020 Stephen Nutt, 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 facilitation for the delivery of consignments containing and purporting to contain border controlled drugs. Facilitation of the delivery of consignments containing and 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- methamphetaine (MDMA)
Weight/Quantity	645 kg (gross)
Current Location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Cyprus, Singapore to Sydney, 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

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

Date of application

6 August 2019

Authorising officer

Greg Harrigan, State Manager Western Australia and Northern Territory

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 5:00 pm on 6 August 2019 Greg Harrigan, 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 August 2019 to 3 February 2020

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 1 November 2019

On 1 November 2019 Stephen Boyle, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the controlled operation should remain in effect until 3 February 2020.

Nature of criminal activities

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

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 involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

5 August 2019

Authorising officer

Neil Gaughan, Deputy Commissioner Operations

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 6:05 pm on 5 August 2019 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

5 August 2019 to 4 February 2020

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 1 November 2019

On 1 November 2019 Stephanie Ann Forgie, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 4 February 2020.

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of 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

Engaged in communications in relation to the purchase of firearms. Engaged in transactions, the purchase of and possession of firearms.

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 provisions of subsection 15HN(2) of the Act.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The AFP has gathered valuable information regarding the methodologies used in relation to illicit firearms. Further persons of interest were identified as a result of this operation leading to further illicit firearm investigations and seizures by Victoria Police.

Date of application

14 August 2019

Authorising officer

Amanda Kates, State Manager Victoria and Tasmania

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:47 pm on 14 August 2019 Amanda Kates, 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 August 2019 to 13 November 2019

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 16 August 2019

On 16 August 2019 Raymond Imbriano, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

Date of variation application: 21 August 2019

On 21 August 2019 Deborah Platz, 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 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

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 Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	666.8 kg (net)
Current Location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
	Leon, Mexico to Sydney, Australia
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No person had possession of the narcotic good during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

One target was arrested and charged with drug-related offences. One target was identified as a witness to the offences. Further information and intelligence was obtained in relation to this matter.

Date of application

14 August 2019

Authorising officer

Neil Gaughan, Deputy Commissioner Operations

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:10 pm on 16 August 2019 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

16 August 2019 to 25 September 2019

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 attempted possession of commercial quantities of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

At 3:24 pm on 25 September 2019 Scott Lee, an authorising officer cancelled the 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 provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications and monetary transactions in relation to the importation of the fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. Facilitated 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	Cocaine
Weight/Quantity	2 kg (gross)
Current Location	United States of America Drug Enforcement Administration testing facility
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: Peru
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No person had possession of the narcotic good during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

One person was arrested and charged with drug and money laundering offences. A further person of interest was identified. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

23 August 2019

Authorising officer

Raymond Imbriano, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria and Tasmania

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 11:17 am on 23 August 2019 Raymond Imbriano, 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

23 August 2019 to 29 August 2019

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 communications with the targets in relation to the delivery/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

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	200.4 kg (gross)
Current Location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
	Cambodia to Singapore, to Australia via sea cargo
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No person had possession of the narcotic good during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

The AFP gathered valuable information, including the identification of further persons of interest. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Nil

Date of application

29 August 2019

Authorising officer

Leanne Close, Deputy Commissioner National Security

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 1:12 pm on 30 August 2019 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

30 August 2019 to 29 September 2019

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 communications, introductions and activities related to the facilitation of terrorism-related activities.

Details of any loss of or serious damage to property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

27 August 2019

Authorising officer

Neil Gaughan, Deputy Commissioner Operations

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 2:30 pm on 4 September 2019 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

4 September 2019 to 3 March 2020

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 3 December 2019

On 3 December 2019 Stephanie Ann Forgie, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 3 March 2020.

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 communications, meetings and transactions with the 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

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

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(2) of the Act. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

16 September 2019

Authorising officer

Neil Gaughan, Deputy Commissioner Operations

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 10:25 am on 19 September 2019 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

19 September 2019 to 18 December 2019

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 trafficking of a commercial quantity of a controlled drug and possession of a prohibited drug.

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, meetings, negotiations and transactions in relation to the purchase of prohibited drugs. Possessed prohibited drugs.

Details of any loss of or serious damage to property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries Nil

Illicit goods

Nature and quantity	AUD4000
Route illicit goods passed in the course of the operation, including foreign countries	Perth to Burswood, Western Australia to unknown location

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	28.13 g (gross)
Current Location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
	Perth to Burswood, Western Australia to unknown location
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 AFP has obtained valuable information about the methodologies being utilised by this syndicate. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

18 September 2019

Authorising officer

Neil Gaughan, Deputy Commissioner Operations

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:10 pm on 19 September 2019 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

19 September 2019 to 29 October 2019

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 misuse of a carriage service to prepare or plan to cause harm to, engage in sexual activity with, or procure for sexual activity, persons under 16.

Cancellation

At 2:55 pm on 29 October 2019 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 provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in online communications and arrangements with the target to facilitate the procurement of a person under the age of 16 for sexual activity.

Details of any loss of or serious damage to property Nil

Details of any personal injuries Nil

Illicit goods

Nature and quantity	Digital images and video of child abuse material
Route illicit goods passed in the course of the operation, including foreign countries	Unknown route via internet

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

One target was arrested and charged with telecommunications and possession of child abuse material offences.

Date of application

23 September 2019

Authorising officer

Joanne Tait, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:07 pm on 23 September 2019 Joanne Tait, 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 September 2019 to 9 December 2019

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 30 September 2019

On 30 September 2019 Joanne Tait, 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 of a commercial quantity of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

At 5:16 pm on 9 December 2019 Brett James, 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 and arrangements in relation to the importation of border controlled drugs. Facilitated 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	Cocaine
Weight/Quantity	233 kg (gross)
Current Location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
	Mexico City, Mexico to Australia via sea
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No person had possession of the narcotic good during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

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

Date of application

8 October 2019

Authorising officer

Neil Gaughan, Deputy Commissioner Operations

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 2:30 pm on 11 October 2019 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

11 October 2019 to 10 January 2020

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

Creation of a bank account.

Details of any loss of or serious damage to property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

10 October 2019

Authorising officer

Joanne Tait, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 11:03 am on 10 October 2019 Joanne Tait, 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 October 2019 to 9 January 2020

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

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

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	Cocaine
Weight/Quantity	44 kg (gross)
Current Location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
	Austria to Australia via air
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No person had possession of the narcotic good during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

No conduct was engaged in.

Date of application

14 October 2019

Authorising officer

Amanda Kates, State Manager Victoria and Tasmania

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 1:07 pm on 14 October 2019 Amanda Kates, 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 October 2019 to 6 December 2019

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 22 October 2019

On 22 October 2019 Amanda Kates, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

Date of variation application: 30 October 2019

On 30 October 2019 Amanda Kates, 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 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

Engaged in manipulation of computer systems and communications to facilitate the delivery of the 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 Nil

Illicit goods

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	19,117.3 g (gross)
Current Location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
	Bangkok, Thailand to Melbourne, Australia via air
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No person had possession of the narcotic good during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

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

Date of application

16 October 2019

Authorising officer

Neil Gaughan, Deputy Commissioner Operations

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:20 pm on 18 October 2019 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

18 October 2019 to 8 April 2020

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 12 November 2019

On 15 November 2019 Neil Gaughan, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

Date of variation application: 23 December 2019

On 24 December 2019 Neil Gaughan, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application:

On 9 January 2020 Stephanie Ann Forgie, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 17 April 2020.

Nature of criminal activities

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

Cancellation

At 8:07 am on 8 April 2020 Ian McCartney, 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 provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications with the targets in relation to the importation of border controlled 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 involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The AFP has gathered valuable information about the methodologies used in the relation to the importation of border controlled drugs by this syndicate.

Date of application

18 October 2019

Authorising officer

Lesa Gale, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner National Security

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 10:52 am on 22 October 2019 Lesa Gale, 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

22 October 2019 to 24 May 2020

AFP variation of authority

On 14 January 2020 Ian McCartney, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 17 January 2020

On 17 January 2020 Josephine Kelly, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 21 April 2020.

Date of variation application: 15 April 2020

On 15 April 2020 Bernard McCabe, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 20 July 2020.

Nature of criminal activities

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

Cancellation

At 4:00 pm on 24 May 2020 Ian McCartney, 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 provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications, meetings, introductions and transactions with the targets to facilitate the sale and purchase of illicit and prohibited goods.

Details of any loss of or serious damage to property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries Nil

Illicit goods

Nature and quantity	Cigarettes – 2,604 cartons Tobacco – 250g AUD190,240
Route illicit goods passed in the course of the operation, including foreign countries	Cigarettes and tobacco – Unknown Currency – Bankstown to Sydney, NSW

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The target was arrested and charged with terrorism, fraud, and firearm-related offences.

Date of application

18 October 2019

Authorising officer

Neil Gaughan, Deputy Commissioner Operations

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 9:25 am on 21 October 2019 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 October 2019 to 20 April 2020

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 14 January 2020

On 14 January 2020 Peter McDermott, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 20 April 2020.

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation, conspiracy to import and trafficking 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 and meetings with the target 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 involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The AFP gathered valuable information in relation to the methodologies used by the targets for the importation and trafficking of commercial quantities of border controlled drugs.

Date of application

24 October 2019

Authorising officer

Lesa Gale, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner National Security

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 2:13 pm on 31 October 2019 Lesa Gale, 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 October 2019 to 30 April 2020

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 29 January 2020

On 29 January 2020 Stephanie Ann Forgie, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 30 April 2020.

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 online communications and activities in support of terrorism-related offences.

Details of any loss of or serious damage to property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

30 October 2019

Authorising officer

Lesa Gale, Performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner National Security

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 2:12 pm on 30 October 2019 Lesa Gale, 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 October 2019 to 6 November 2019

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of attempted possession, conspiracy to import and traffick commercial quantities of border controlled drugs, conspiracy to traffick commercial quantities of controlled drugs, and money laundering.

Cancellation

At 11:30 am on 6 November 2019 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 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 involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

No conduct was engaged in.

Date of application

6 November 2019

Authorising officer

Neil Gaughan, Deputy Commissioner Operations

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 8:45 am on 8 November 2019 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 November 2019 to 10 December 2019

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 murder and manslaughter.

Cancellation

At 3:20 pm on 10 December 2019 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 provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications with the targets.

Details of any loss of or serious damage to property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

8 November 2019

Authorising officer

Jamie Strauss, State Manager Queensland

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 11:00 am on 8 November 2019 Jamie Strauss, 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

8 November 2019 to 15 November 2019

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

At 10:16 pm on 15 November 2019 Jamie Strauss, 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 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	Gamma-butyrolactone (GBL)
Weight/Quantity	26.3 kg (gross)
Current Location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
	People's Republic of China to Brisbane, Australia
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No person had possession of the narcotic good during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

The AFP has obtained valuable information leading to the identification of further persons of interest. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

22 November 2019

Authorising officer

Neil Gaughan, Deputy Commissioner Operations

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 12:50 pm on 25 November 2019 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

25 November 2019 to 24 February 2020

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 attempted possession 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 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

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The AFP has gathered valuable information in relation to the importation of border controlled drugs.

Date of application

26 November 2019

Authorising officer

Amanda Kates, State Manager Victoria and Tasmania

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 4:47 pm on 26 November 2019 Amanda Kates, 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 November 2019 to 25 February 2020

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 29 November 2019

On 29 November 2020 Karl Kent, 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 of a commercial quantity of border controlled drugs and 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 with the target 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

No illicit goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

No evidence was obtained during the course of this controlled operation.

Date of application

12 December 2019

Authorising officer

Neil Gaughan, Deputy Commissioner Operations

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 12:10 pm on 18 December 2019 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

18 December 2019 to 17 March 2020

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 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 provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications, meetings and attempted transactions in relation to the importation of border controlled drugs. Possessed 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

T	
Туре	Cocaine
Weight/Quantity	0.014 g (gross)
Current Location	Western Australian Police Force
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
	Unknown location to Innaloo, Western Australia
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

One target is expected to be charged with state drug offences. The AFP has gathered valuable information about the methodologies used in relation to the importation of border controlled drugs and intelligence was obtained for this identified Organised Crime Group and targets.

Date of application

26 December 2019

Authorising officer

David Berston, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia and Northern Territory

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 11:37 pm on 26 December 2019 David Berston, 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

26 December 2019 to 1 January 2020

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

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 to facilitate delivery of a consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. Attempted a controlled 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	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	6,016.5 g (net)
Current Location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
	Germany via England to Australia
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No person had possession of the narcotic good during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Major controlled operation number: 19–20/34

Date of application

9 January 2020

Authorising officer

Neil Gaughan, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner Operations

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 11:40 am on 10 January 2020 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 January 2020 to 20 March 2020

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nature of criminal activities

The major 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 2:06 pm on 20 March 2020 Ian McCartney, 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 provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications and meetings in relation to transport arrangements 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 involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation

Outcomes

The AFP has gathered valuable information in relation to the methodologies used by this syndicate for the importation of border controlled drugs.

Date of application

16 January 2020

Authorising officer

Efthimios Calatzis, performing the duties of Deputy Chief Police Officer Response

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 12:05 pm on 16 January 2020 Efthimios Calatzis, 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 January 2020 to 15 March 2020

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 misuse of a carriage service to prepare or plan to cause harm to, engage in sexual activity with, or procure for sexual activity, persons under 16.

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 online communications with the target in regards to the supply of alcohol in exchange for explicit images of a person under the age of 16.

Details of any loss of or serious damage to property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The AFP gathered valuable information in regards to the methodologies used by the target. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

25 January 2020

Authorising officer

Brett James, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 2:25 pm on 25 January 2020 Brett James, 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 January 2020 to 9 March 2020

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 3:58 pm on 9 March 2020 Kirsty Schofield, 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

Manipulation of a computer system 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	1,051 kg (gross)
Current Location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
	Netherlands and South Korea
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 persons were identified, arrested and charged. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Major controlled operation number: 19–20/38

Date of application

29 January 2020

Authorising officer

Scott Lee, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner Investigations

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 2:32 pm on 29 January 2020 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

29 January 2020 to 7 April 2020

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 attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border controlled drugs, conspiracy to traffic a commercial quantity of controlled drugs, money laundering and firearms.

Cancellation

At 8:31 am on 7 April 2020 Ian McCartney, 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 provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Attempted to engage in communications with the target.

Details of any loss of or serious damage to property Nil

Details of any personal injuries Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Major controlled operation number: 19–20/39

Date of application

21 January 2020

Authorising officer

Ian McCartney, Deputy Commissioner National Security

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 2:34 pm on 24 January 2020 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

24 January 2020 to 23 April 2020

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 17 February 2020

On 2 March 2020 Ian McCartney, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

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 conversations with the target in relation to providing financial support for terrorism-related activities.

Details of any loss of or serious damage to property Nil

Details of any personal injuries Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The AFP has gathered valuable information about the methodologies used in relation to recruitment to terrorist organisations.

Date of application

3 February 2020

Authorising officer

Raymond Imbriano, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria and Tasmania

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:53 pm on 3 February 2020 Raymond Imbriano, 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 2020 to 12 March 2020

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 11:43 am on 12 March 2020 Jayne Crossling, 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 and manipulation of computer systems to facilitate the importation of border controlled drugs. Facilitated storage 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	154 kg (net)
Current Location	AFP. Samples have been sent to the National Measurements Institute.
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
	Mexico to Australia
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No person had possession of the narcotic good during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

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

Date of application

4 February 2020

Authorising officer

Jamie Strauss, State Manager Queensland

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 12:37 pm on 4 February 2020 Jamie Strauss, 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 February 2020 to 13 February 2020

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

At 9:24 am on 13 February 2020 Jamie Strauss, 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.

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	11,153.5 g (net)
Current Location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
	United States of America to Brisbane, Australia
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No person had possession of the narcotic good during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

No arrests were made as a result of the operation.

Date of application

6 February 2020

Authorising officer

Mark McIntyre, performing the duties of Manager Counter Terrorism Operations North

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 4:50 pm on 6 February 2020 Mark McIntyre, 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 February 2020 to 5 March 2020

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority Nil

Nature of criminal activities

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

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

Manipulation of computer systems to facilitate the attempted delivery of a consignment purporting to contain prohibited items. Attempted to engage in communications and delivery of a consignment purporting to contain prohibited items.

Details of any loss of or serious damage to property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries Nil

Illicit goods

Nature and quantity	1 x upper frame receiver
	1 x lower frame receiver
	1 x firearm barrel
	1 x trigger assembly
	1 x magazine
	1 x extendable stock
	1 x grip
Route illicit goods passed in the course of the operation, including foreign countries	During the course of the controlled operation the illicit goods were not moved.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

11 February 2020

Authorising officer

Kirsty Schofield, Manager Organised Crime

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 4:10 pm on 11 February 2020 Kirsty Schofield, 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

11 February 2020 to 10 March 2020

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 misuse of a computer or electronic communications and fraud.

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 with the target in relation to the purchase of unlawfully obtained data.

Details of any loss of or serious damage to property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

17 February 2020

Authorising officer

Kirsty Schofield, Manager Organised Crime

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:55 pm on 17 February 2020 Kirsty Schofield, 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 February 2020 to 1 March 2020

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 computer systems and attempted 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	5 kg (gross)
Current Location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
	Germany to Sydney, Australia
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Outcomes

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

Date of application

17 February 2020

Authorising officer

Kirsty Schofield, Manager Organised Crime

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:45 pm on 17 February 2020 Kirsty Schofield, 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 February 2020 to 1 March 2020

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 computer systems and facilitated 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	1 kg (gross)
Current Location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
	Mexico to Sydney, Australia
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No person had possession of the narcotic good 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

18 February 2020

Authorising officer

Kirsty Schofield, Manager Organised Crime

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 4:16 pm on 18 February 2020 Kirsty Schofield, 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 February 2020 to 2 March 2020

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 computer systems 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

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	1 kg (gross)
Current Location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
	Canada to Sydney, Australia
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No person had possession of the narcotic good 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

19 February 2020

Authorising officer

Kirsty Schofield, Manager Organised Crime

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 9:00 am on 20 February 2020 Kirsty Schofield, 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 2020 to 3 March 2020

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 computer systems and attempted 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	2L (gross)
Current Location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
	United States of America to Sydney, Australia
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No person had possession of the narcotic good 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

25 February 2020

Authorising officer

Scott Moller, performing the duties of Deputy Chief Police Officer Response

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 11:21 am on 25 February 2020 Scott Moller, 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 February 2020 to 24 April 2020

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the misuse of a carriage service to prepare or plan to cause harm to, engage in sexual activity with, or procure for sexual activity, persons under 16.

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

Attempted to engage in communications with the target.

Details of any loss of or serious damage

to property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in this controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

26 February 2020

Authorising officer

Alex Nicolson, performing the duties of State Manager South Australia

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 12:40 pm on 26 February 2020 Alex Nicolson, 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 February 2020 to 3 March 2020

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 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

Facilitated 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	164.7 g (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 person had possession of the narcotic good during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

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

Date of application

28 February 2020

Authorising officer

John Tanti, State Manager Western Australia and Northern Territory

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 10:11 pm on 28 February 2020 John Tanti, 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 February 2020 to 26 March 2020

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 and trafficable quantities of controlled drugs and money laundering.

Cancellation

At 2:10 pm on 26 March 2020 John Tanti, 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 with the targets in relation to the supply and delivery 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 involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in this controlled operation.

Outcomes

Two persons were arrested in relation to drug-related offences. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing. The AFP has gathered valuable information about the methodologies used in relation to the trafficking of illicit drugs in Western Australia.

Date of application

6 March 2020

Authorising officer

Jayne Crossling, performing the duties of Commander Southern Command

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 5:17 pm on 6 March 2020 Jayne Crossling, 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 March 2020 to 15 April 2020

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 27 March 2020

On 27 March 2020 Jayne Crossling, 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 of a commercial quantity of border controlled drugs.

Cancellation

At 10:25 am on 15 April 2020 Raymond Imbriano, 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

Attempted to engage in communications with the target in relation to 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	360 kg (gross)
Current Location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
	Malaysia to Melbourne, Australia
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No person had possession of the narcotic good during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

25 February 2020

Authorising officer

Jayne Crossling, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria and Tasmania

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 4:59 pm on 25 February 2020 Jayne Crossling, 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 February 2020 to 2 March 2020

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

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. Attempted 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

Туре	Methamphetamine
Weight/Quantity	1.02 kg (net)
Current Location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
	Malaysia to Melbourne, Australia
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No person had possession of the narcotic good during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

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

Date of application

6 March 2020

Authorising officer

Kirsty Schofield, Commander Investigations, Eastern Command

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 8:59 pm on 6 March 2020 Kirsty Schofield, 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

6 March 2020 to 12 March 2020

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

There was no opportunity to engage in conduct.

Details of any loss of or serious damage to property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Date of application

19 March 2020

Authorising officer

Jayne Crossling, performing the duties of Commander Investigations Southern Command

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:08 pm on 19 March 2020 Jayne Crossling, 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 March 2020 to 18 June 2020

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority Nil

Nature of criminal activities

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

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 with the targets in relation to the purchase of firearms and explosives.

Details of any loss of or serious damage

to property Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The AFP gathered valuable information in relation to the methodologies used by the targets for the importation and trafficking of firearms and explosive devices. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

19 March 2020

Authorising officer

Jayne Crossling, performing the duties of Commander Investigations Southern Command

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:04 pm on 19 March 2020 Jayne Crossling, 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 March 2020 to 18 June 2020

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority Nil

Nature of criminal activities

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

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 and arrangements in relation to the purchase of firearms.

Details of any loss of or serious damage

to property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

No evidence was obtained through this investigation.

Date of application

27 March 2020

Authorising officer

Kirsty Schofield, Commander Investigations, Eastern Command

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 6:34 am on 27 March 2020 Kirsty Schofield, 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 March 2020 to 2 April 2020

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 computer systems to facilitate the importation 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
	Heroin
Weight/Quantity	1,412 kg (gross)
	49,342.1 g (net)
Current Location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
	Malaysia via sea cargo
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No person had possession of the narcotic good during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

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

Major controlled operation number: 19–20/60

Date of application

27 March 2020

Authorising officer

Ian McCartney, Deputy Commissioner Investigations

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 1:18 pm on 31 March 2020 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

31 March 2020 to 8 June 2020

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 attempted possession of a commercial quantity of a border controlled drug and money laundering.

Cancellation

At 10:20 am on 8 June 2020 Ian McCartney, 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 provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications and meetings to facilitate arrangements in relation to the importation, sale and purchase 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

Ti un a	Cassina
Туре	Cocaine
	3,4-Methylenedioxy- methamphetamine (MDMA)
Weight/Quantity	76.97 g (gross)
	155 g (gross)
Current Location	Western Australian Police Force
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
	Unknown location to Perth, Australia
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 AFP has gathered valuable information about the methodologies used in relation to the importation of border controlled drugs. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Major controlled operation number: 19–20/61

Date of application

31 March 2020

Authorising officer

Ian McCartney, Deputy Commissioner Investigations

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:41 pm on 31 March 2020 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

31 March 2020 to 30 June 2020

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 of a commercial quantity of a border controlled drug 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 communications and arrangements in relation to the electronic transfer of funds. Facilitated the electronic transfer of funds.

Details of any loss of or serious damage to property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries Nil

Illicit goods

Nature and quantity	This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsection 15HN(2) of the Act.
Route illicit goods passed in the course of the operation, including foreign countries	Transferred electronically between bank accounts, route unknown.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Valuable information was obtained in relation to the methodology used in relation to the fraudulent activity.

Date of application

28 April 2020

Authorising officer

Mark McIntyre, performing the duties of Manager Counter Terrorism Operations North

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 5:00 pm on 28 April 2020 Mark McIntyre, 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 April 2020 to 20 May 2020

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 marketable quantity of a border controlled drug.

Cancellation

At 3:45 pm on 20 May 2020 Stephen Dametto, 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 computer systems to facilitate the delivery of the consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. A controlled delivery of the fully substituted 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	358.4 g (net)
Current Location	Destroyed
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
	Texas, United States of America to Sydney, Australia via air cargo
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No person had possession of the narcotic good during the course of the operation

Outcomes

One person was arrested in relation to drug-related offences. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

29 April 2020

Authorising officer

Kirsty Schofield, Commander Investigations, Eastern Command

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 2:37 pm on 29 April 2020 Kirsty Schofield, 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 April 2020 to 5 May 2020

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 prohibited imports and possession of a child-like sex doll.

Cancellation

At 2:27 pm on 5 May 2020 Kirsty Schofield, 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 a controlled delivery of the consignment.

Details of any loss of or serious damage

to property Nil

Details of any personal injuries Nil

Illicit goods

Nature and quantity	1 x child-like sex doll
Route illicit goods passed in the course of the operation, including foreign countries	China to Sydney, Australia

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The target was arrested in relation to the importation and possession of prohibited imports.

Date of application

19 May 2020

Authorising officer

John Tanti, Commander Investigations, Western Central Command

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 5:50 pm on 19 May 2020 John Tanti, 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 May 2020 to 1 June 2020

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

Facilitated 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	246.8 g (net)
Current Location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
	Germany to Perth, Australia via air cargo
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No person had possession of the narcotic good during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

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

Date of application

21 May 2020

Authorising officer

Jayne Crossling, performing the duties of Commander Southern Command

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 4:59 pm on 21 May 2020 Jayne Crossling, 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 May 2020 to 1 June 2020

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 1:01 pm on 1 June 2020 Jayne Crossling, 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 the fully substituted consignment purporting to contain border controlled drugs. Attempted the 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	Cocaine
Weight/Quantity	3 kg (gross)
Current Location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
	United Kingdom to Melbourne Australia via air cargo
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No person had possession of the narcotic good during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

No persons were arrested as a result of the controlled operation.

Date of application

11 June 2020

Authorising officer

Raymond Imbriano, performing the duties of Commander Southern Command

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 11:04 am on 11 June 2020 Raymond Imbriano, 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

11 June 2020 to 26 June 2020

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 10:53 am on 26 June 2020 Raymond Imbriano, 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

Manipulation of computer systems to facilitate the delivery 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	360 kg (gross)
Current Location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
	Malaysia via sea to Melbourne, Australia
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No person had possession of the narcotic good 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

16 June 2020

Authorising officer

Kirsty Schofield, Commander Investigations, Eastern Command

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 2:47 pm on 16 June 2020 Kirsty Schofield, 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 June 2020 to 22 June 2020

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 and fraud.

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

Manipulation of computer systems to facilitate the delivery of the consignment. A controlled delivery was conducted.

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 provisions of subsection 15HN(2) of the Act.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The AFP has gathered valuable information about the methodologies used in relation to obtaining and the use of personal identification information and fraud. Some aspects of the investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

15 June 2020

Authorising officer

John Tanti, Commander, Western-Central Command

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 8:30 am on 15 June 2020 John Tanti, 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 2020 to 24 June 2020

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 17 June 2020

On 17 June 2020 Timothy Underhill, 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 2:05 pm on 24 June 2020 David Berston, 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 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	Cocaine
Weight/Quantity	1.9 kg (net)
Current Location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
	Germany to Sydney, Australia
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No person had possession of the narcotic good during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

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

Date of application

22 June 2020

Authorising officer

Kirsty Schofield, Commander Investigations, Eastern Command

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:45 pm on 22 June 2020 Kirsty Schofield, 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 June 2020 to 25 June 2020

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 3:51 pm on 25 June 2020 Brett James, 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

Manipulation of computer systems to facilitate the delivery 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	957.5 g (net)
Current Location	AFP
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
	Netherlands to Melbourne Australia
Possession of the narcotic goods during the course of the controlled operation	No person had possession of the narcotic good during the course of the operation.

Outcomes

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Major controlled operation number: 17–18/64

Date of application

24 November 2017

Authorising officer

Leanne Close, Deputy Commissioner Operations

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 6:00 pm on 28 November 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

28 November 2017 to 27 November 2019

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 4 May 2018

On 4 May 2018 Neil Gaughan, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

Date of variation application: 15 February 2019

On 19 February 2019 Neil Gaughan, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

Date of variation application: 1 July 2019

On 2 July 2019 Neil Gaughan, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 27 February 2018

On 27 February 2018 Gary Humphries, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 27 May 2018.

Date of variation application: 23 May 2018

On 23 May 2018 Gary Humphries, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 27 August 2018.

Date of variation application: 16 August 2018

On 16 August 2018 Gary Humphries, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 27 November 2018.

Date of variation application: 16 November 2018

On 16 November 2018 Gary Humphries, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 27 February 2019. Date of variation application: 22 February 2019

On 22 February 2019 Gary Humphries, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 27 May 2019.

Date of variation application: 23 May 2019

On 23 May 2019 Gary Humphries, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 27 August 2019.

Date of variation application: 23 August 2019

On 23 August 2019 Gary Humphries, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 27 November 2019.

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the attempted importation and possession of prohibited imports and fraud.

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

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

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 provisions of subsection 15HN(2) of the Act.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Ten people were arrested and charged with state firearms, weapons and drug offences. In excess of 241 people of interest have been identified and referred for further investigation domestically and internationally.

Date of application

20 June 2018

Authorising officer

Neil Gaughan, Deputy Commissioner Operations

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 11:45 am on 22 June 2018 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

22 June 2018 to 21 September 2019

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 19 March 2019

On 20 March 2019 Deborah Platz, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 20 September 2018

On 20 September 2018 Adam Poljak, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 21 December 2018.

Date of variation application: 18 December 2018

On 18 December 2018 William Stefaniak, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 21 March 2019.

Date of variation application: 21 March 2019

On 21 March 2019 Milton James Griffen, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 21 June 2019.

Date of variation application: 18 June 2019

On 18 June 2019 Gina Lazanas, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 21 September 2019.

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation of commercial quantities of border controlled drugs 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

No conduct was engaged in.

Details of any loss of or serious damage to property Nil

Nil

Details of any personal injuries Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

No evidentiary information was obtained.

Date of application

30 August 2018

Authorising officer

Neil Gaughan, Deputy Commissioner Operations

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:50 pm on 31 August 2018 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

31 August 2018 to 28 August 2019

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 22 November 2018

On 28 November 2018 Neil Gaughan, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 30 November 2018

On 30 November 2018 Peter McDermott, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 28 February 2019.

Date of variation application: 25 February 2019

On 25 February 2019 Peter McDermott, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 28 May 2019.

Date of variation application: 27 May 2019

On 27 May 2019 Peter McDermott, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 28 August 2019.

Nature of criminal activities

The major 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 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 with the targets in relation to 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 involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

3 October 2018

Authorising officer

Neil Gaughan, Deputy Commissioner Operations

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 2:40 pm on 5 October 2018 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

5 October 2018 to 4 July 2019

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 3 January 2019

On 3 January 2019 Stephanie Ann Forgie, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 4 April 2019.

Date of variation application: 3 April 2019

On 3 April 2019 Stephanie Ann Forgie, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 4 July 2019.

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and trafficking of commercial quantities of border controlled drugs, 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 communications and meetings with the target in relation to money laundering activities. Engaged in monetary transactions with the targets.

Details of any loss of or serious damage to property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The AFP gathered valuable information about methodologies used in relation to this organised crime group and money laundering activities.

Date of application

18 March 2019

Authorising officer

Deborah Platz, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner Operations

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 8:32 am on 20 March 2019 Deborah Platz, 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 March 2019 to 19 September 2019

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 13 June 2019

On 13 June 2019 Peter McDermott, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 19 September 2019.

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation of commercial quantities of border controlled drugs, 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 communications and introductions with the targets in relation to 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 involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

No evidentiary conduct took place.

Controlled operation number: 18–19/75

Date of application

9 April 2019

Authorising officer

Amanda Kates, State Manager Victoria and Tasmania

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 11:25 am on 9 April 2019 Amanda Kates, 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 April 2019 to 8 July 2019

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 8 May 2019

On 8 May 2019 Neil Gaughan, 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 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

Engaged in communications and manipulated systems 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

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Methamphetamine
	Heroin
Weight/Quantity	1,596.1 kg (gross)
	37.185 kg (gross)
Current Location	Thailand to Melbourne via Singapore
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
	Thailand to Melbourne, Australia via Singapore by sea
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 the importation of border controlled drugs. Evidentiary material was obtained. Six further persons of interest have been identified. Three targets were arrested.

Date of application

10 April 2019

Authorising officer

Neil Gaughan, Deputy Commissioner Operations

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 9:50 am on 12 April 2019 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

12 April 2019 to 11 October 2019

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 5 July 2019

On 5 July 2019 Stephen Boyle, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 11 October 2019.

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and attempted possession of commercial quantities of border controlled drugs 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 communications with the target 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 involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The AFP has gathered valuable information about the methodologies used in relation the importation of border controlled drugs. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

17 April 2019

Authorising officer

Neil Gaughan, Deputy Commissioner Operations

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 2:30 pm on 30 April 2019 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 April 2019 to 29 July 2019

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 misuse of a computer or electronic communications, money laundering and fraud.

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 online communications, negotiations and purchase of a phishing kit.

Details of any loss of or serious damage to property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nature and quantity	AUD858.72
Route illicit goods passed in the course of the operation, including foreign countries	Australia to unknown locations via electronic means

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The AFP has gathered valuable information about the methodologies used in distributing malicious computer software. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing. Evidentiary material was obtained.

Date of application

29 April 2019

Authorising officer

Lesa Gale, Performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner National Security

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 1:32 pm on 29 April 2019 Lesa Gale, 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 April 2019 to 4 December 2019

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 23 July 2019

On 23 July 2019 Brian Wade Rayment, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 28 October 2019.

Date of variation application: 25 October 2019

On 25 October 2019 Adria Marissa Poljak, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 28 January 2020.

Nature of criminal activities

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

Cancellation

At 9:00 am on 4 December 2019 Ian McCartney, 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 provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in general communications with the target.

Details of any loss of or serious damage to property Nil

Details of any personal injuries

Illicit goods

No illicit goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

No evidence was obtained from the controlled conduct engaged in.

Date of application

26 April 2019

Authorising officer

Neil Gaughan, Deputy Commissioner Operations

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 1:05 pm on 26 April 2019 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

26 April 2019 to 25 October 2019

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 24 July 2019

On 24 July 2019 Gary Humphries, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 25 October 2019.

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation, conspiracy to import and attempted possession of commercial quantities of border controlled drugs, 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 communications with targets 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 involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Controlled operation number: 18–19/85

Date of application

1 May 2019

Authorising officer

Amanda Kates, State Manager Victoria and Tasmania

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:54 pm on 1 May 2019 Amanda Kates, 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 May 2019 to 31 July 2019

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 30 May 2019

On 30 May 2019 Amanda Kates, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

Date of variation application: 27 June 2019

On 27 June 2019 Amanda Kates, 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 firearms.

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 with the target in relation to the purchase of firearms. Engaged in monetary transactions for the purchase of firearms and took possession of firearms. 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 provisions of subsection 15HN(2) of the Act.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The AFP gathered valuable information about the methodologies used in relation to the illicit firearms market.

Date of application

6 May 2019

3Authorising officer

Neil Gaughan, Deputy Commissioner Operations

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:40 pm on 9 May 2019 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

9 May 2019 to 8 August 2019

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 and attempted possession of commercial quantities 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

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 involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

There was no opportunity to engage in conduct.

Date of application

8 May 2019

Authorising officer

Neil Gaughan, Deputy Commissioner Operations

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 2:00 pm on 10 May 2019 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 May 2019 to 8 November 2019

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 3 August 2019

On 6 August 2019 Neil Gaughan, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 8 August 2019

On 8 August 2019 Peter McDermott, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 8 November 2019.

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the conspiracy to import, importation and attempted possession of commercial quantities of border controlled drugs, 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 communications, negotiations and arrangements with the targets for the purchase and facilitation of the importation of border controlled drugs. Facilitated the importation, delivery and movement 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	700 kg (net)
Current Location	699.988 kg destroyed by the National Police of the Netherlands (NPN).
	12 g held by NPN.
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:
	Geertruidenberg, to Raamsdonksveer, Netherlands. Raamsdonksveer, to Rozenburg, Rotterdam, Netherlands.
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 AFP has obtained valuable information in relation to the importation of border controlled drugs into Australia, including identification of further criminal syndicates. Foreign law enforcement agencies have seized further illicit goods within their jurisdictions. Nine targets have been arrested and charged with drug-related offences by foreign law enforcement agencies. One target was arrested and charged with drug and money laundering offences and two targets were summonsed and charged with money laundering and computer data offences in Australia. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

9 May 2019

Authorising officer

Neil Gaughan, Deputy Commissioner Operations

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 2:25 pm on 10 May 2019 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 May 2019 to 9 August 2019

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 and marketable quantities of border controlled drugs and attempted possession of marketable quantities 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

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 involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

There was no opportunity to engage in conduct.

Date of application

22 May 2019

Authorising officer

Neil Gaughan, Deputy Commissioner Operations

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 2:30 pm on 23 May 2019 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

23 May 2019 to 16 December 2019

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 18 July 2019

On 29 July 2019 Neil Gaughan, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

Date of variation application: 18 November 2019

On 21 November 2019 Neil Gaughan, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 21 August 2019

On 21 August 2019 Theodore Tavoularis, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 22 November 2019.

Date of variation application: 22 November 2019

On 22 November 2019 Peter McDermott, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 22 February 2020.

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of the importation and conspiracy to import commercial quantities of border controlled drugs and money laundering.

Cancellation

At 3:30 pm on 16 December 2019 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 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 involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Controlled operation number: 18–19/95

Date of application

6 June 2019

Authorising officer

Michael Chew, Deputy Chief Police Officer Response

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 1:30 pm on 6 June 2019 Michael Chew, 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 2019 to 23 July 2019

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 14 June 2019

On 14 June 2019 Michael Chew, 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 8:30 am on 23 July 2019 Matthew Craft, 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 manipulation of systems, processes and administrative actions 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

See below table for narcotic goods.

Narcotic goods

Туре	Cocaine	
Weight/Quantity	384 kg (gross)	
Current Location	AFP	
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation:	
	South Africa to Australia via sea	
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 persons were arrested and charged with drug-related offences. The AFP has gathered valuable information about the methodologies used by the criminal syndicate involved. Some aspects of the investigation are ongoing.

Date of application

17 June 2019

Authorising officer

Neil Gaughan, Deputy Commissioner Operations

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 8:35 am on 18 June 2019 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

18 June 2019 to 2 December 2019

AFP variation of authority

Date of variation application: 11 September 2019

On 11 September 2019 Neil Gaughan, an AFP authorising officer, granted the variation.

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 17 September 2019

On 17 September 2019 Peter William Taylor, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 17 December 2019.

Nature of criminal activities

The major controlled operation was directed at the criminal activity of importation, conspiracy to import and attempted possession of a commercial quantity of border controlled drugs, and money laundering.

Cancellation

At 11:05 am on 2 December 2019 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 provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications with target 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 involved in the controlled operation.

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The controlled operation did not result in any seizures of illicit goods or arrests.

Date of application

26 June 2019

Authorising officer

Scott Lee, performing the duties of Deputy Commissioner Operations

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 4:57 pm on 27 June 2019 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

27 June 2019 to 20 December 2019

AFP variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Date of variation application: 26 September 2019

On 26 September 2019 Robert Cameron, a nominated Tribunal member, determined that the major controlled operation should remain in effect until 26 December 2019.

Nature of criminal activities

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

Cancellation

At 1:45 pm on 20 December 2019 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 provisions of subsection 15HN(4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

Engaged in communications, negotiations and transactions in relation to purchase of fraudulent documents.

Details of any loss of or serious damage to property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries Nil

Narcotic goods

No narcotic goods were involved in the controlled operation.

Outcomes

The AFP has gathered valuable information about the methodologies used in relation to accessibility to fraudulent identification documentation. Some aspects of this investigation are ongoing.

Illicit goods

Nature and quantity	Currency (Bitcoin)
	USD2,125.85
Route illicit goods passed in the course of the operation, including foreign countries	Unknown, illicit goods were cryptocurrency and therefore the transactions occurred via the internet.
Nature and quantity	Fraudulent identification documents and identification information, including: digital Australian passports, Australian drivers licences, Australian personal loan application, Australian credit card application package, Australian Ergon Energy electricity bill; and physical Medicare cards and Australian drivers licences.
	257 x digital and electronic varieties of scanned Australian passports and drivers licences.
	6 x physical Australian drivers licences
	1 x digital fraudulent Australian personal loan application
	1 x digital fraudulent Australian credit card application package
	2 x fraudulent Medicare cards
	1 x forged Australian electricity bill – Ergon Energy
Route illicit goods passed in the course of the operation, including foreign countries	During the controlled operation the illicit goods travelled from: Hong Kong via air mail to Melbourne, Victoria for the following illicit goods:
	2 x physical Australian drivers licences
	2 x Australian Medicare cards
	During the controlled operation the illicit goods travelled from: United States of America to Melbourne, Victoria for the following illicit goods:
	1 x physical Australian drivers licences
	1 x digital forged Australian electricity bill – Ergon Energy
	During the controlled operation the illicit goods travelled from: unknown location to Melbourne, Victoria for the following illicit goods:
	2 x physical Australian drivers licences
	During the controlled operation the illicit goods travelled from: unknown location within Australia to Melbourne, Victoria for the following illicit goods:
	1 x physical Australian drivers licence
	During the controlled operation the illicit goods travelled from: unknown location within Australia to Melbourne, Victoria via electronic means for the following illicit goods:
	257 x digital and electronic varieties of scanned Australian passports and drivers licences
	1 x digital fraudulent Australian personal loan application
	1 x digital fraudulent Australian credit card application package

Controlled operation number: 18–19/99

Date of application

28 June 2019

Authorising officer

Anthony Maguire, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 9:56 am on 28 June 2019 Anthony Maguire, 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 2019 to 27 July 2019

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

Engaged in communications in relation to the delivery, storage and collection of the consignment.

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	41.5 kg (net)
Current Location	Destroyed. Samples retained by the AFP.
Route through which the narcotic goods travelled	Prior to the commencement of the controlled operation: India
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.



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SCHEDULE 3 AUSTRALIAN COMMISSION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT INTEGRITY – CURRENT REPORTING PERIOD



Information withheld under the Crimes Act 1914 (Cth)

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 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 COA 02 of 2018 – granted in February 2018

COA 01 of 2019

Note that COA 02 of 2018 – granted in April 2018 was previously reported in the controlled operations annual report 2018–19.

Previously excluded information published in 2019–2020

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 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 2019–2020.

Provision	Details required	Number
Subsection	Formal authorities that were:	
15HM(2)(a)	 granted by an ACLEI authorising officer during the period varied by an ACLEI authorising officer during the period 	1 1
Subsection 15HM(2)(b)	Formal applications for formal authorities refused by an ACLEI authorising officer during the period	0
Subsection 15HM(2)(c)	Formal variation applications for variation of formal authorities 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	0
	Urgent applications for urgent authorities refused by an ACLEI authorising officer	0
Subsection 15HM(2)(f)	Formal variation applications for the variation of urgent authorities refused by an ACLEI authorising officer	0
	Urgent variation applications for the variation of urgent authorities refused by an ACLEI authorising officer	0
Subsection 15HM(2)(g)	Formal authorities that were varied by a nominated AAT member during the period	2
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 ACLEI authorising officer during the period expired during the period 	0 2

Some of the authorities issued during the 2019–20 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: COA 02 of 2018

Date of application

5 February 2018

Authorising officer

Michael Griffin AM, Integrity Commissioner

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 9:10 am on 5 February 2018 Michael Griffin, an authorised officer within the meaning of 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

5 February 2018 to 3 November 2019

ACLEI variation of authority

Variation 1 was applied for on 17 September 2018 and granted on 25 September 2018 by ACLEI Integrity Commissioner Michael Griffin AM.

AAT variation of authority

Variation (extension) was applied for and granted on 27 April 2018 by AAT member Gary Humphries.

Variation (extension) was applied for and granted on 31 July 2018 by AAT member Gary Humphries.

Variation (extension) was applied for and granted on 31 October 2018 by AAT member William Stefaniak.

Variation (extension) was applied for and granted on 1 February 2019 by AAT member Josephine Kelly.

Variation (extension) was applied for and granted on 1 May 2019 by AAT member Gina Lazanas.

Variation (extension) was applied for and granted on 1 August 2019 by AAT member James Constance.

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was targeted at 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 subsections 15NH(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of conduct engaged in

No controlled conduct occurred as the operation did not proceed.

Details of any loss of or serious damage to property

Nil

Details of any personal injuries Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

There were no outcomes arising from the controlled operation as no controlled activity was conducted under this authority.

Controlled operation number: COA 01 of 2019

Date of application

3 October 2019

Authorising officer

Michael Griffin AM, Integrity Commissioner

Nature of application

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

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:17 pm on 3 October 2019 Michael Griffin, an authorised officer within the meaning of 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority for a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

3 October 2019 to 1 April 2020

ACLEI variation of authority

Variation 1 was applied for and granted on 29 October 2019 by ACLEI Integrity Commissioner Michael Griffin AM.

Variation 2 was applied for and granted on 6 December 2019 by ACLEI Integrity Commissioner Michael Griffin AM.

AAT variation of authority

Variation (extension) was applied for and granted on 23 December 2019 by AAT member Gary Humphries.

Nature of criminal activities

The controlled operation was directed at money laundering, the unlawful communication of harmful information by a Commonwealth law enforcement official, bribery of a Commonwealth public official and giving corrupting benefits to a Commonwealth public official.

Cancellation

Nil

Target/s of the controlled operation

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15NH(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of the conduct engaged in

This information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15NH(2) and (4) of the Act.

Details of any loss of or serious damage to property

Nil

Details of personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

The controlled operation gained valuable information in relation to the target's syndicate.

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SCHEDULE 4 AUSTRALIAN CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE COMMISSION CURRENT REPORTING PERIOD



Information withheld under the Crimes Act 1914 (Cth)

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 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

CO19019,	CO19028,	CO19060,	CO19065,	CO19079,	CO19087,
CO19088,	CO19092,	CO19103,	CO19105,	CO20004,	CO20008,
CO20010,	CO20011,	CO20020,	CO20022,	CO20025,	CO20028,
CO20029,	CO20031,	CO20033,	CO20035,	CO20036,	CO20037,
CO20038,	CO20041,	CO20042,	CO20043,	CO20044,	CO20047,
CO20048,	CO20050	and CO20051			

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(93) and 15T(4) and are not reported on in this annual report.

CO18063,	CO18066,	CO18094,	CO18099,	CO18117,	CO18121,
CO19006,	CO19016,	CO19030,	CO19031,	CO19032,	CO19033,
CO19034,	CO19035,	CO19036,	CO19037,	CO19038,	CO19040,
CO19042,	CO19044,	CO19045,	CO19047,	CO19049,	CO19050,
CO19051,	CO19052,	CO19054,	CO19055,	CO19057,	CO19059,
CO19061,	CO19062,	CO19063,	CO19064,	CO19066,	CO19067,
CO19068,	CO19069,	CO19070,	CO19071,	CO19073,	CO19076,
CO19077,	CO19080,	CO19081,	CO19082,	CO19083,	CO19084,
CO19085,	CO19086,	CO19089,	CO19090,	CO19093,	CO19094,
CO19095,	CO19096,	CO19097,	CO19098,	CO19100,	CO19101,
CO19102,	CO19104,	CO19106,	CO19107,	CO19108,	CO19109,
CO19110,	CO19111,	CO19112,	CO19113,	CO19114,	CO19116,
CO19117,	CO19119,	CO19120,	CO19121,	CO19122,	CO19123,
CO19125,	CO19128,	CO19129,	CO19130,	CO19131,	CO19135,
CO19137,	CO19138,	CO20003,	CO20006,	CO20007,	CO20009,
CO20012,	CO20013,	CO20015,	CO20018,	CO20030,	CO20032,
CO20039	and CO20046				

ACIC operations partly excluded

ACIC operations reported in full CO19041, CO19134 and CO20014

Previously excluded information published in 2019–2020

ACIC operations fully excluded – now reported in full Nil

ACIC operations partly excluded – now reported in full CO19134

ACIC operations fully excluded – now reported in part

CO18063,	CO18066,	CO18094,	CO18099,	CO18117,	CO18121,
CO19006,	CO19016,	CO19030,	CO19031,	CO19032,	CO19033,
CO19034,	CO19035,	CO19036,	CO19037,	CO19038,	CO19040,
CO19041,	CO19042,	CO19044,	CO19045,	CO19047,	CO19049,
CO19050,	CO19051,	CO19052,	CO19055,	CO19057	and CO19059

QUANTITATIVE SUMMARY

Subsection 15HM(1) of the 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 2019–2020.

Provision	Details required	Number
Subsection	Formal authorities that were:	
15HM(2)(a)	 granted by an ACIC authorising officer for the period varied by an ACIC authorising officer for the period 	96 45
Subsection 15HM(2)(b)	Formal applications for formal authorities refused by an ACIC authorising officer during the period	0
Subsection 15HM(2)(c)	Formal variation applications for variation of formal authorities 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 varied by an ACIC authorising officer during the period 	5 0
Subsection 15HM(2)(e)	Formal applications for urgent authorities refused by an ACIC authorising officer	0
	Urgent applications for urgent authorities refused by an ACIC authorising officer	0
Subsection 15HM(2)(f)	Formal variation applications for the variation of urgent authorities that were refused by an ACIC authorising officer	0
	Urgent variation applications for the variation of urgent authorities that were refused by an ACIC authorising officer	0
Subsection 15HM(2)(g)	Formal authorities that were varied by a nominated AAT member during the period	71
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	Number of authorities for controlled operations that	
15HM(2)(t)	 were cancelled by an ACIC authorising officer expired during the period 	32 69

Some of the authorities issued during the 2019–20 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: CO18063/03/5

Date of application

26 July 2018

Authorising officer

Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 9:05 am on 26 July 2018, Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, issued a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

26 July 2018 to 8 July 2019

ACIC variation of authority

Variation 1 was applied for and granted on 28 August 2018 by ACIC authorising officer Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia. The authority was varied to add a civilian participant and the associated conduct and to remove a civilian participant.

Variation 2 was applied for and granted on 17 October 2018 by ACIC authorising officer Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia. The authority was varied to name additional targets, new conduct and clarify the commodity of illicit substances.

Variation 3 was applied for and granted on 30 November 2018 by ACIC authorising officer Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia. The authority was varied to include additional law enforcement participants, a civilian participant and their associated conduct and remove some law enforcement participants.

Variation 4 was granted on 9 April 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia. The authority was varied by the authorising officers own initiative, to include additional law enforcement participants and remove some law enforcement participants.

Variation 5 was applied for on 2 July 2019 and granted on 2 July 2019 by ACIC authorising officer

Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia. The authority was varied to include an additional law enforcement participant.

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for and granted on 22 October 2018 by Stephen Boyle, Deputy President, AAT.

Variation (Extension 2) was applied for and granted on 11 January 2019 by Dr Michelle Evans, Senior Member, AAT.

Variation (Extension 3) was applied for and granted on 9 April 2019 by Stephen Boyle, Deputy President, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the importation and possession of illicit narcotics and the associated laundering of the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Outcomes

The controlled operation obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in illicit drug importations and money laundering activities. The controlled operation identified previously unknown targets.

Some information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Controlled operation number: CO18066/03/2

Date of application

1 August 2018

Authorising officer

Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 4:04 pm on 6 August 2018 Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Some information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Period of effect

6 August 2018 to 5 August 2019

ACIC variation of authority

Variation 1 was applied for and granted on 17 September 2018 by ACIC authorising officer Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria. The authority was varied to include additional law enforcement participants and remove some law enforcement participants.

Variation 2 was applied for on 22 October 2018 and granted on 23 October 2018 by ACIC authorising officer Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria. The authority was varied to include additional law enforcement participants.

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for on 1 November 2018 and granted on 2 November 2018 by Stephanie Ann Forgie, Deputy President, AAT.

Variation (Extension 2) was applied for and granted on 5 February 2019 by Stephanie Ann Forgie, Deputy President, AAT.

Variation (Extension 3) was applied for and granted on 2 May 2019 by Stephanie Ann Forgie, Deputy President, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the laundering of money believed to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Outcomes

The controlled operation obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in money laundering and illicit drug activities. The controlled operation identified previously unknown members of the syndicate.

Some information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Controlled operation number: CO18094/03/1

Date of application

11 October 2018

Authorising officer

David Ross, performing the duties of acting State Manager Queensland

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 11:52 am on 11 October 2018, David Ross, performing the duties of acting State Manager Queensland, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Some information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Period of effect

11 October 2018 to 10 October 2019

ACIC variation of authority

Variation 1 was applied for and granted on 12 June 2019 ACIC authorising officer Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria. The authority was varied to include additional law enforcement participants and remove some law enforcement participants.

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for and granted on 9 January 2019 by Stephanie Ann Forgie, Deputy President, AAT.

Variation (Extension 2) was applied for and granted on 9 April 2019 by Stephanie Ann Forgie, Deputy President, AAT.

Variation (Extension 3) was applied for and granted on 9 July 2019 by Stephanie Ann Forgie, Deputy President, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the importation of illicit narcotics and the associated laundering of the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

The controlled operation obtained valuable information in relation to the international drug syndicate and their methodology for money laundering and importing illicit narcotics.

Controlled operation number: CO18099/03/0

Date of application

11 October 2018

Authorising officer

David Ross, performing the duties of acting State Manager Queensland

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 1:46 pm on 11 October 2018, David Ross, performing the duties of acting State Manager Queensland, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

11 October 2018 to 10 October 2019

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for on 9 January 2019 and granted on 9 January 2019 by Stephanie Ann Forgie, Deputy President, AAT.

Variation (Extension 2) was applied for on 10 April 2019 and granted on 10 April 2019 by Stephanie Ann Forgie, Deputy President, AAT.

Variation (Extension 3) was applied for on 10 July 2019 and granted on 10 July 2019 by Stephanie Ann Forgie, Deputy President, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the importation and trafficking of illicit narcotics and the associated laundering of the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in the importation of illicit narcotics, and identified previously unknown members of the syndicate.

Some information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Controlled operation number: CO18117/02/1

Date of application

21 December 2018

Authorising officer

Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 10:45 am on 21 December 2018, Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Some information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Period of effect

21 December 2018 to 20 September 2019

ACIC variation of authority

Variation 1 was applied for on 14 March 2019 and granted on 14 March 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria. The authority was varied to include an additional law enforcement participant.

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for on 13 March 2019 and granted on 13 March 2019 by Stephanie Ann Forgie, Deputy President, AAT.

Variation (Extension 2) was applied for on 12 June 2019 and granted on 12 June 2019 by Stephanie Ann Forgie, Deputy President, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the importation and trafficking of illicit narcotics and the associated laundering of the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in the importation of illicit narcotics.

Some information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Controlled operation number: CO18121/03/2

Date of application

4 December 2018

Authorising officer

Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 10:26 am on 6 December 2018, Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

6 December 2018 to 2 December 2019

ACIC variation of authority

Variation 1 was applied for on 7 February 2019 and granted on 7 February 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia. The authority was varied to include additional law enforcement participants and remove some law enforcement participants.

Variation 2 was granted on 4 June 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia. The authority was varied by the authorising officer's own initiative to include additional law enforcement participants and remove some law enforcement participants.

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for on 5 March 2019 and granted on 5 March 2019 by Stephen Boyle, Deputy President, AAT.

Variation (Extension 2) was applied for on 4 June 2019 and granted on 4 June 2019 by Dr Michelle Evans, Senior Member, AAT.

Variation (Extension 3) was applied for on 3 September 2019 and granted on 3 September 2019 by Stephen Boyle, Deputy President, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into drug trafficking.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the target and confirmed his involvement in illicit drug activities.

Controlled operation number: CO19006/03/2

Date of application

18 January 2019

Authorising officer

Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:00 pm on 18 January 2019 Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

18 January 2019 to 17 January 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Variation 1 was applied for on 22 January 2019 and granted on 22 January 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria. The authority was varied to include additional law enforcement participants and remove some law enforcement participants.

Variation 2 was applied for on 6 May 2019 and granted on 6 May 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales. The authority was varied to include additional law enforcement participants and remove some law enforcement participants.

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for on 17 April 2019 and granted on 17 April 2019 by Stephanie Ann Forgie, Deputy President, AAT.

Variation (Extension 2) was applied for and granted on 16 July 2019 by Robert Cameron, Senior Member, AAT.

Variation (Extension 3) was applied for and granted on 17 October 2019 by Stephanie Ann Forgie, Deputy President, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the laundering of money believed to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Outcomes

The controlled operation obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in illicit activities, namely money laundering, drug importations and possession of firearms.

Controlled operation number: CO19016/01/1

Date of application

19 February 2019

Authorising officer

Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:50 pm on 19 February 2019 Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

19 February 2019 to 16 August 2019

ACIC variation of authority

Variation 1 was applied for on 14 March 2019 and granted on 15 March 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State manager Victoria. The authority was varied to remove some law enforcement participants.

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for on 16 May 2019 and granted on 16 May 2019 by Robert Cameron, Senior Member, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into importation and trafficking of illicit narcotics, and the associated laundering of the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 16 August 2019 by ACIC authorising officer, Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria. The authority was cancelled when intelligence identified that the targets were no longer associated with each other, resulting in the initiation of separate investigations.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in the importation and trafficking of illicit narcotics and illicit tobacco. The controlled operation identified previously unknown members of the syndicate.

Controlled operation number: CO19030/00/0

Date of application

14 May 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 11:50 am 16 May 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

16 May 2019 to 15 August 2019

ACIC variation of authority

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into laundering money suspected to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained information in relation to the target and associates willingness to discuss money laundering activities.

Controlled operation number: CO19031/02/3

Date of application

12 April 2019

Authorising officer

Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 2:15 pm on 12 April 2019 Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

12 April 2019 to 11 January 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Variation 1 was applied for on 30 May 2019 and granted on 30 May 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland. The authority was varied to include additional law enforcement participants and include additional controlled conduct.

Variation 2 was applied for and granted on 3 July 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland. The authority was varied to include additional law enforcement participants and conduct.

Variation 3 was applied for and granted on 1 November 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland. The authority was varied to include additional law enforcement participants and remove law enforcement participants.

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for and granted on 10 July 2019 by Gary Humphries, Deputy President, AAT.

Variation (Extension 2) was applied for and granted on 9 October 2019 by Gary Humphries, Deputy President, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the trafficking of illicit narcotics and the laundering of the associated proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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

NII

Illicit goods

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

The controlled operation obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and confirmed their involvement in illicit narcotic and money laundering activities. The ACIC's investigation of the targets is ongoing.

Controlled operation number: CO19032/00/0

Date of application

2 April 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manger New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:10 pm on 2 April 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manger New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

2 April 2019 to 1 July 2019

ACIC variation of authority

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into the supply, trafficking and importation of prohibited firearms and the associated laundering of the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained information in relation to the targets and confirmed their involvement in the importation and trafficking of prohibited firearms.

Controlled operation number: CO19033/00/0

Date of application

4 April 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 1:45 pm on 4 April 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

4 April 2019 to 3 July 2019

ACIC variation of authority Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the supply, trafficking and importation of prohibited firearms and the associated laundering of the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in the importation and trafficking of prohibited firearms.

Controlled operation number: CO19034/00/0

Date of application

9 April 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 4:20 pm on 9 April 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Some information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Period of effect

9 April 2019 to 8 July 2019

ACIC variation of authority

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the importation of illicit narcotics and the associated laundering of the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in money laundering activities. The controlled operation identified previously unknown members of the syndicate.

Controlled operation number: CO19035/00/0

Date of application

13 May 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 1:40 pm on 13 May 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

13 May 2019 to 12 August 2019

ACIC variation of authority

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into the importation and trafficking of illicit narcotics and the associated laundering of the proceeds of crime, with the intention of defrauding the Commonwealth.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained limited information in relation to the targets and their involvement in the importation and trafficking activities.

Controlled operation number: CO19036/00/0

Date of application

14 June 2019

Authorising officer

Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager, Victoria

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 2:33 pm on 14 June 2019 Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager, Victoria, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Some information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Period of effect

14 June 2019 to 13 September 2019

ACIC variation of authority

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the importation and trafficking of illicit narcotics and the associated laundering of the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the target and their involvement in the importation and trafficking of illicit tobacco. The controlled operation partially identified previously unknown members of the syndicate.

Controlled operation number: CO19037/02/2

Date of application

21 May 2019

Authorising officer

Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 12:45 pm on 21 May 2019 Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

21 May 2019 to 18 February 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Variation 1 was applied for on 24 June 2019 and granted on 24 June 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia. The authority was varied to include an additional law enforcement participant.

Variation 2 was applied for and granted on 20 August 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia. The authority was varied to include additional law enforcement participants.

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for and granted on 20 August 2019 by Stephen Boyle, Deputy President, AAT.

Variation (Extension 2) was applied for and granted on 19 November 2019 by Michelle Evans, Senior Member, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the trafficking of illicit narcotics and the laundering of the associated proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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

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Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

The controlled operation obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in money laundering activities.

Controlled operation number: CO19038/00/0

Date of application

10 May 2019

Authorising officer

Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:00 pm on 10 May 2019 Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

10 May 2019 to 9 August 2019

ACIC variation of authority

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the laundering of money believed to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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: CO19040/02/0

Date of application

6 May 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:45 pm on 6 May 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

6 May 2019 to 5 November 2019

ACIC variation of authority

Variation 1 (Extension 1) was granted on 5 July 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria. The authority was varied by the authorising officers own initiative to extend the period of effect for a further one month, to three months from the date of granting of the authority.

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 2) was applied for on 1 August 2019 and granted on 1 August 2019 by Robert Cameron, Senior Member, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the importation and possession of illicit narcotics, and the associated laundering of the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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: CO19041/00/1

Date of application

4 June 2019

Authorising officer

Peter Morgan, performing the duties of acting State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 10:35 am on 4 June 2019 Peter Morgan, performing the duties of acting State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

4 June 2019 to 18 July 2019

ACIC variation of authority

Variation 1 was applied for on 24 June 2019 and granted on 24 June 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales. The authority was varied to include additional law enforcement participants and remove a law enforcement participant.

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the laundering of money suspected to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 18 July 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales. The authority was cancelled due to the operational decision to discontinue the investigation of the targets.

Target/s of the controlled operation

No persons were identified during the course of the operation.

Nature of 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: CO19042/01/0

Date of application

8 May 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 8:50 am on 9 May 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

9 May 2019 to 8 November 2019

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for on 8 August 2019 and granted on 8 August 2019 by Milton James Griffin QC, Senior Member, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into laundering of proceeds of crime to support terrorism activities.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained limited information in relation to the terrorism syndicate as the target was unwilling to participate in the proposed conduct.

Controlled operation number: CO19044/03/0

Date of application

24 May 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 11:50 am on 24 May 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

24 May 2019 to 23 May 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for and granted on 22 August 2019 by Gina Lazanas, Senior Member, AAT.

Variation (Extension 2) was applied for and granted on 14 November 2019 by Adria Marissa Poljak, Senior Member, AAT.

Variation (Extension 3) was applied for and granted on 10 February 2020 by Michael John McGrowdie, Senior Member, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into tax evasion and laundering of money believed to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in money laundering and tax evasion.

Controlled operation number: CO19045/00/0

Date of application

21 May 2019

Authorising officer

Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 4:00 pm on 21 May 2019 Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

21 May 2019 to 20 August 2019

ACIC variation of authority

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into the importation and trafficking of illicit narcotics and the associated laundering of the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in the importation and trafficking of illicit narcotics.

Controlled operation number: CO19047/00/0

Date of application

28 May 2019

Authorising officer

Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 12:35 pm on 28 May 2019 Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

28 May 2019 to 27 August 2019

ACIC variation of authority

AAT variation of authority

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the importation of illicit narcotics and the associated laundering of the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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: CO19049/00/0

Date of application

20 May 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 1:05 pm on 20 May 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Some information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Period of effect

20 May 2019 to 19 August 2019

ACIC variation of authority

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into the importation and trafficking of illicit narcotics and the associated laundering of the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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: CO19050/00/0

Date of application

23 May 2019

Authorising officer

Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 11:15 am on 23 May 2019 Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

23 May 2019 to 22 August 2019

ACIC variation of authority

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the importation and trafficking of illicit narcotics and the associated laundering of the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Outcomes

The controlled operation obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in the importation, trafficking and manufacture of illicit narcotics. The controlled operation identified previously unknown members of the syndicate.

Controlled operation number: CO19051/01/0

Date of application

29 May 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 10:10 am on 29 May 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

29 May 2019 to 28 October 2019

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for on 24 July 2019 and granted on 24 July 2019 by Milton James Griffin, Senior Member, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the importation and trafficking of illicit narcotics and the associated laundering of the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in money laundering activities. The ACIC's investigation is ongoing.

Controlled operation number: CO19052/00/0

Date of application

5 June 2019

Authorising officer

Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 1:00 pm on 5 June 2019 Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

5 June 2019 to 30 August 2019

ACIC variation of authority

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into the trafficking and supply of prohibited firearms.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 30 August 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland. The authority was cancelled following the completion of the ACIC investigation.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and confirmed their involvement in the supply of prohibited firearms.

Controlled operation number: CO19054/00/0

Date of application

17 July 2019

Authorising officer

Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 9:10 am on 18 July 2019 Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

18 July 2019 to 3 August 2019

ACIC variation of authority

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into the laundering of money believed to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the target and confirmed their involvement in money laundering activities.

Controlled operation number: CO19055/01/2

Date of application

17 June 2019

Authorising officer

Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 1:00 pm on 17 June 2019 Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

17 June 2019 to 16 December 2019

ACIC variation of authority

Variation 1 was granted on 11 September 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland. The authority was varied to include additional law enforcement participants.

Variation 2 was granted on 25 September 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland. The authority was varied to include additional law enforcement participants.

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for on 13 September 2019 and granted on 13 September 2019 by Peter McDermott, Deputy President, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into drug trafficking and the associated laundering of the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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: CO19057/03/1

Date of application

14 June 2019

Authorising officer

Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 4:20 pm on 14 June 2019 Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

14 June 2019 to 4 June 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Variation 1 was applied for and granted on 19 November 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland. The authority was varied to include additional conduct and participants and to remove law enforcement participants.

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for and granted on 11 September 2019 by William George Stefaniak, Senior Member, AAT.

Variation (Extension 2) was applied for and granted on 9 December 2019 by Gary Humphries, Deputy President, AAT.

Variation (Extension 3) was applied for and granted on 3 March 2020 by Gary Humphries, Deputy President, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the importation and trafficking of illicit narcotics and the laundering of the associated proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 4 June 2020 by ACIC authorising officer Darshana Sivakumaran, performing the duties of National Manager Operational Strategy. The authority was cancelled as the controlled operation was no longer required.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Outcomes

The controlled operation obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in the importation and trafficking of illicit narcotics and laundering of proceeds of crime.

Controlled operation number: CO19059/01/1

Date of application

28 June 2019

Authorising officer

Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:33 pm on 28 June 2019 Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

28 June 2019 to 25 November 2019

ACIC variation of authority

Variation 1 was applied for and granted on 11 September 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria. The authority was varied to include additional law enforcement participants.

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for and granted on 26 September 2019 by Robert Cameron, Senior Member, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into the importation of illicit narcotics and the associated laundering of the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 25 November 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria. The authority was cancelled as the investigation was continued by an ACIC partner agency.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in the importation of illicit narcotics.

Controlled operation number: CO19061/00/0

Date of application

2 July 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 1:00 pm on 2 July 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

2 July 2019 to 1 October 2019

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the trafficking of illicit firearms and the associated laundering of the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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: CO19062/00/1

Date of application

4 July 2019

Authorising officer

Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 1:53 pm on 5 July 2019 Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

5 July 2019 to 26 September 2019

ACIC variation of authority

Variation 1 was applied for and granted on 19 July 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria. The authority was varied to include additional law enforcement participants.

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into laundering of money believed to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 26 September 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria. The authority was cancelled due to no opportunities to undertake conduct being identified.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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: CO19063/00/0

Date of application

9 July 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:55 pm on 9 July 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Some information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Period of effect

9 July 2019 to 8 October 2019

ACIC variation of authority

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the importation and possession of illicit narcotics and the associated laundering of the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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: CO19064/00/0

Date of application

5 July 2019

Authorising officer

Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 11:30 am on 5 July 2019 Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

5 July 2019 to 4 October 2019

ACIC variation of authority

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into the trafficking and importation of prohibited firearms and trafficking of illicit narcotics.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained limited information in relation to the target and their involvement in trafficking of illicit firearms.

Controlled operation number: CO19066/00/0

Date of application

18 July 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 10:00 am on 18 July 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

18 July 2019 to 17 October 2019

ACIC variation of authority

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the importation and trafficking of illicit narcotics and the associated laundering of the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in the importation of illicit narcotics. The controlled operation identified previously unknown members of the syndicate.

Controlled operation number: CO19067/00/0

Date of application

4 July 2019

Authorising officer

Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:45 pm on 4 July 2019 Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

4 July 2019 to 3 October 2019

ACIC variation of authority

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the importation and possession of illicit narcotics and the associated laundering of the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in illicit drug activities.

Controlled operation number: CO19068/01/1

Date of application

16 July 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 1:00 pm on 16 July 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

16 July 2019 to 15 January 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Variation 1 was granted on 10 October 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Peter Morgan, performing the duties of Acting State Manager New South Wales. The authority was varied to include an additional target.

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for and granted on 14 October 2019 by Josephine Kelly, Nominated Member AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the trafficking of illicit narcotics and the laundering of the associated proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in money laundering activities.

Controlled operation number: CO19069/00/0

Date of application

31 July 2019

Authorising officer

Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 8:00 am on 1 August 2019 Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

1 August 2019 to 17 October 2019

ACIC variation of authority

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into laundering of money believed to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 17 October 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia. The authority was cancelled as the objectives of the operation had been achieved.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the target and their involvement in money laundering activities.

Controlled operation number: CO19070/00/0

Date of application

12 July 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This urgent authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(b).

Decision of authorising officer

At 1:21 pm on 12 July 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted an urgent authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

12 July 2019 to 18 July 2019

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into laundering of money suspected to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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

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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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in money laundering activities. The controlled operation identified previously unknown members of the syndicate. The ACIC's investigation is ongoing.

Controlled operation number: CO19071/00/0

Date of application

18 July 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 10:10 am on 18 July 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

18 July 2019 to 5 September 2019

ACIC variation of authority

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into the importation, possession and trafficking of illicit narcotics, and the associated laundering of the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 5 September 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales. The authority was cancelled following the resolution of the ACIC investigation.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in money laundering and illicit drug activities. The controlled operation identified previously unknown members of the syndicate.

Controlled operation number: CO19073/00/0

Date of application

29 July 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 10:10 am on 29 July 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

29 July 2019 to 28 October 2019

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into tax avoidance activities and money laundering activities.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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: CO19076/00/00

Date of application

19 August 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:10 pm on 19 August 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

19 August 2019 to 18 November 2019

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into laundering of money believed to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

The controlled operation obtained information in relation to the targets and their involvement in money laundering activities. The ACIC's investigation is ongoing.

Controlled operation number: CO19077/01/2

Date of application

18 July 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 9:50 am on 18 July 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

18 July 2019 to 17 January 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Variation 1 was applied for and granted on 4 October 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Peter Morgan, performing the duties of Acting State Manager New South Wales. The authority was varied to include additional civilian participants.

Variation 2 was applied for and granted on 4 October 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales. The authority was varied to include additional civilian participants.

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for and granted on 17 October 2019 by Adria Marrissa Poljak, Senior Member, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the trafficking of illicit narcotics and the laundering of the associated proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in money laundering activities.

Controlled operation number: CO19080/01/0

Date of application

16 August 2019

Authorising officer

Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 11:45 am on 16 August 2019 Jason Leigh Halls performing the duties of State Manager Victoria, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

16 August 2019 to 15 February 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for and granted on 11 November 2019 by Stephanie Ann Forgie, Deputy President, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the trafficking of illicit narcotics and the laundering of the associated proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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

There were no outcomes as no controlled activity was conducted under this authority.

Controlled operation number: CO19081/00/0

Date of application

10 September 2019

Authorising officer

Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:37 pm on 10 September, Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Some information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Period of effect

10 September 2019 to 9 December 2019

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into the laundering of money believed to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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

There were no outcomes as no controlled activity was conducted under this authority.

Controlled operation number: CO19082/00/0

Date of application

20 August 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This urgent authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(b).

Decision of authorising officer

At 9:50 am on 20 August 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted an urgent authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

20 August 2019 to 26 August 2019

ACIC variation of authority

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AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the laundering of money suspected to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the target and their involvement in money laundering activities.

Controlled operation number: CO19083/00/0

Date of application

27 August 2019

Authorising officer

Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 1:35 pm on 27 August 2019 Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

27 August 2019 to 26 November 2019

ACIC variation of authority

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into the importation and trafficking of illicit narcotics and the associated laundering of the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 26 November 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria. The authority was cancelled following the resolution of the ACIC investigation.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in the importation of illicit narcotics. The controlled operation identified previously unknown members of the syndicate.

Controlled operation number: CO19084/00/0

Date of application

12 September 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 9:50 am on 13 September 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

13 September 2019 to 12 December 2019

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the importation of illicit narcotics and the associated laundering of the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the target and their involvement in illicit drug and money laundering activities. The controlled operation identified previously unidentified members of the criminal syndicate. The ACIC investigation is ongoing.

Controlled operation number: CO19085/00/0

Date of application

3 September 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 9:40 am on 4 September 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

4 September 2019 to 9 September 2019

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the laundering of money believed to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 9 September 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales. The authority was cancelled as the objectives of the controlled operation had been achieved.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in money laundering activities. The controlled operation identified previously unknown members of the syndicate.

Controlled operation number: CO19086/00/1

Date of application

3 October 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 10:20 am on 3 October 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

3 October 2019 to 2 January 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Variation 1 was granted on 17 October 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales. The authority was varied to include an additional civilian participant and associated conduct.

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into identity theft and laundering of money believed to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 confirmed the targeted business was not in possession of sensitive personal data.

Controlled operation number: CO19089/00/0

Date of application

20 September 2019

Authorising officer

Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 1:08 pm on 20 September 2019 Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Some information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Period of effect

20 September 2019 to 19 December 2019

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the trafficking and importation of illicit narcotics and the associated laundering of the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the target and their involvement in money laundering and illicit drug activities.

Controlled operation number: CO19090/00/0

Date of application

20 September 2019

Authorising officer

Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 1:55 pm on 20 September 2019 Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

20 September 2019 to 16 October 2019

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the importation and possession of illicit narcotics and the associated laundering of the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 16 October 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia. The authority was cancelled following the arrest of the target while overseas.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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

There were no outcomes as no controlled activity was conducted under this authority.

Controlled operation number: CO19093/01/0

Date of application

14 October 2019

Authorising officer

Jason Leigh Halls performing the duties of State Manager Victoria

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 3.05 pm on 14 October 2019 Jason Leigh Halls performing the duties of State Manager Victoria, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

14 October 2019 to 12 April 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for and granted on 13 January 2020 by Stephanie Ann Forgie, Deputy President, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the laundering of money believed to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in money laundering activities.

Controlled operation number: CO19094/00/0

Date of application

3 October 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 2:10 pm on 3 October 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

3 October 2019 to 2 January 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the trafficking of illicit narcotics and the laundering of the associated proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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

There were no outcomes as no controlled activity was conducted under this authority.

Controlled operation number: CO19095/00/0

Date of application

22 October 2019

Authorising officer

Jason Leigh Halls performing the duties of State Manager Victoria

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 8:32 am on 22 October 2019 Jason Leigh Halls performing the duties of State Manager Victoria, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

22 October 2019 to 21 January 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the importation and trafficking of illicit narcotics and the laundering of the associated proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and confirmed their involvement in illicit narcotic activities.

Controlled operation number: CO19096/00/1

Date of application

3 October 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 10:45 am on 3 October 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

3 October 2019 to 11 October 2019

ACIC variation of authority

Variation 1 was granted on 9 October 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Peter Morgan, performing the duties of acting State Manager New South Wales. The authority was varied to include an additional law enforcement participant. The authority was granted on the authorising officer's own initiative.

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support an ACIC investigation into laundering of money believed to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 11 October 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Peter Morgan, performing the duties of acting State Manager New South Wales. The authority was cancelled as the purpose of the controlled operation had been achieved.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in money laundering activities. The controlled operation identified previously unknown members of the syndicate.

Controlled operation number: CO19097/00/0

Date of application

18 October 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 10:50 am on 18 October 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

18 October 2019 to 17 January 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the trafficking of illicit narcotics and the laundering of the associated proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and confirmed their involvement in illicit drug activities. The ACIC investigation is ongoing.

Controlled operation number: CO19098/01/1

Date of application

28 October 2019

Authorising officer

Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 11.47 am on 28 October 2019 Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

28 October 2019 to 27 April 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Variation 1 was applied for and granted on 16 December 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria. The authority was varied to include an additional law enforcement participant.

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for and granted on 23 January 2020 by Bernard McCabe, Deputy President, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into money laundering and dishonestly causing a loss to the Commonwealth.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in money laundering activities.

Controlled operation number: CO19100/00/0

Date of application

16 October 2019

Authorising officer

Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 2:35 pm on 16 October 2019 Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

16 October 2019 to 19 November 2019

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the importation and possession of illicit narcotics and the associated laundering of the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 19 November 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland. The authority was cancelled due to the arrest of the target on unrelated matters.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained information in relation to the targets and their involvement in illicit drug activities.

Controlled operation number: CO19101/00/0

Date of application

15 October 2019

Authorising officer

Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:10 pm on 15 October 2019 Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

15 October 2019 to 14 January 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the laundering of money believed to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in money laundering activities.

Controlled operation number: CO19102/00/0

Date of application

15 October 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 4:15 pm on 15 October 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Some information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Period of effect

15 October 2019 to 4 December 2019

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the laundering of money suspected to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 4 December 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria. The authority was cancelled as the controlled operation did not proceed as proposed.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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

There were no outcomes as no controlled activity was conducted under this authority.

Controlled operation number: CO19104/00/0

Date of application

25 October 2019

Authorising officer

Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 9:15 am on 25 October 2019 Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

25 October 2019 to 14 January 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the trafficking of illicit narcotics and laundering of the associated proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 14 January 2020 by ACIC authorising officer Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia. The authority was cancelled following the completion of the ACIC investigation.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Details of any personal injuries

Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Outcomes

The controlled operation obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and confirmed their involvement in an importation of illicit narcotics. The ACIC investigation is ongoing.

Controlled operation number: CO19106/01/0

Date of application

7 November 2019

Authorising officer

Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 12:10 pm on 7 November 2019 Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

7 November 2019 to 6 May 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for and granted on 5 February 2020 by Stephen Boyle, Deputy President, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the trafficking of illicit narcotics and laundering of the associated proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the target and their involvement in trafficking illicit narcotics.

Controlled operation number: CO19107/00/0

Date of application

11 November 2019

Authorising officer

Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:20 pm on 11 November 2019 Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

11 November 2019 to 10 February 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into drug trafficking and the laundering of the associated proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the target and confirmed their involvement in the importation of illicit narcotics.

Controlled operation number: CO19108/00/0

Date of application

31 October 2019

Authorising officer

Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 4:15 pm on 31 October 2019 Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

31 October 2019 to 5 December 2019

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the importation and trafficking of illicit narcotics.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 5 December 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria. The authority was cancelled following the resolution of the investigation and arrest of the targets.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in the importation and trafficking of illicit narcotics.

Controlled operation number: CO19109/00/0

Date of application

6 November 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 10:45 am on 6 November 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

6 November 2019 to 5 February 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the trafficking of illicit narcotics and laundering of the associated proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Details of any personal injuries Nil

Illicit goods

Nil

Narcotic goods

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Outcomes

The controlled operation obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in the importation of illicit narcotics.

Controlled operation number: CO19110/00/0

Date of application

6 November 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 11:05 am on 6 November 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

6 November 2019 to 5 February 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the trafficking of illicit narcotics and laundering of the associated proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in illicit narcotic activities.

Controlled operation number: CO19111/00/0

Date of application

5 November 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 12:59 pm on 5 November 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

5 November 2019 to 18 November 2019

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into laundering of money believed to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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

There were no outcomes as no controlled activity was conducted under this authority.

Controlled operation number: CO19112/00/0

Date of application

22 November 2019

Authorising officer

Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 2:35 pm on 22 November 2019 Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

22 November 2019 to 21 February 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the importation and trafficking of illicit narcotics and laundering of the associated proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Outcomes

The controlled operation obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in illicit narcotic and money laundering activities.

Controlled operation number: CO19113/00/0

Date of application

5 November 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:35 pm on 7 November 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Some information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Period of effect

7 November 2019 to 6 February 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the trafficking of illicit narcotics and the laundering of the associated proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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

Controlled operation number: CO19114/01/0

Date of application

13 November 2019

Authorising officer

Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 2:45 pm on 13 November 2019 Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

13 November 2019 to 4 May 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for and granted on 12 February 2020 by Stephen Boyle, Senior Member, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the trafficking of illicit narcotics and the laundering of the associated proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 4 May 2020 by ACIC authorising officer Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia. The authority was cancelled due to a change in ACIC operational strategies.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Outcomes

The controlled operation obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and confirmed their involvement in illicit narcotic activities.

Controlled operation number: CO19116/01/1

Date of application

18 November 2019

Authorising officer

Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 2:20 pm on 18 November 2020, Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

18 November 2019 to 27 March 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Variation 1 was applied for and granted on 20 December 2019 by ACIC authorising officer Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia. The authority was varied to include an additional law enforcement participant.

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for and granted on 17 February 2020 by Stephen Boyle, Deputy President, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the laundering of money believed to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 27 March 2020 by ACIC authorising officer Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia. The authority was cancelled following the conclusion of the ACIC investigation.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the target and their involvement in money laundering activities.

Controlled operation number: CO19117/01/0

Date of application

16 November 2019

Authorising officer

Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 4:30 pm on 17 November 2019 Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

17 November 2019 to 16 May 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for and granted on 14 February 2020 by Peter McDermott, Deputy President, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into trafficking of illicit narcotics and laundering of the associated proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in money laundering activities.

Controlled operation number: CO19119/01/1

Date of application

27 November 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 10:50 am on 27 November 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

27 November 2019 to 28 April 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Variation 1 was applied for and granted on 21 February 2020 by ACIC authorising officer Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales. The authority was varied to include additional law enforcement participants.

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for and granted on 25 February 2020 by Brian Wade Rayment, Deputy President, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the importation and trafficking of illicit narcotics.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 28 April 2020 by ACIC authorising Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales. The authority was cancelled as the controlled operation was no longer required.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Outcomes

The controlled operation obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in illicit narcotic activities.

Controlled operation number: CO19120/01/1

Date of application

3 December 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 9:50 am on 3 December 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

3 December 2019 to 2 June 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Variation 1 was granted on 19 March 2020 by ACIC authorising officer Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales. The authority was varied to include additional law enforcement participants.

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for and granted on 2 March 2020 by James William Constance, Deputy President, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the laundering of money believed to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in money laundering activities.

Controlled operation number: CO19121/00/0

Date of application

26 November 2019

Authorising officer

Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 11:15 am on 26 November 2019 Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

26 November 2019 to 9 January 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the trafficking of illicit narcotics and the laundering of the associated proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 9 January 2020 by ACIC authorising officer Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia. The authority was cancelled following the completion of the controlled operation.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Outcomes

The controlled operation obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and confirmed their involvement in illicit drug trafficking.

Controlled operation number: CO19122/00/0

Date of application

28 November 2019

Authorising officer

Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 10:15 am on 28 November 2019 Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

28 November 2019 to 27 February 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the importation and trafficking of illicit narcotics and the laundering of the associated proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained information in relation to the target and their involvement in illicit narcotic activities.

Controlled operation number: CO19123/01/1

Date of application

29 November 2019

Authorising officer

Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:05 pm on 29 November 2019 Jason Leigh Halls performing the duties of State Manager Victoria, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

29 November 2019 to 28 May 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Variation 1 was applied for on 4 March 2020 and granted on 5 March 2020 by ACIC authorising officer Douglas Marshall Miller performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia. The authority was varied to include an additional law enforcement participant.

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for and granted on 28 February 2020 by Stephanie Ann Forgie, Deputy President, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the trafficking of illicit narcotics and the laundering of the associated proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvements in the importation of illicit narcotics.

Controlled operation number: CO19125/00/0

Date of application

23 December 2019

Authorising officer

Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 10:48 am on 23 December 2019 Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

23 December 2019 to 22 March 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the laundering of money believed to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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

Narcotic goods

Nil

Outcomes

The controlled operation obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in money laundering activities.

Controlled operation number: CO19128/01/0

Date of application

20 December 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 1:55 pm on 23 December 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

23 December 2019 to 22 June 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for and granted on 20 March 2020 by James William Constance, Deputy President, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the trafficking of illicit narcotics and the laundering of the associated proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Outcomes

The controlled operation obtained valuable information in relation to the target and their involvement in trafficking illicit narcotics.

Controlled operation number: CO19129/01/0

Date of application

5 December 2019

Authorising officer

Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 2:00 pm on 5 December 2019 Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

5 December 2019 to 4 June 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Variation (Extension 1) was applied for and granted on 4 March 2020 by Robert Cameron, Senior Member, AAT.

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the importation and trafficking of illicit narcotics and the laundering of the associated proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the target and their involvement in the importation and trafficking of illicit drugs.

Controlled operation number: CO19130/00/0

Date of application

4 December 2019

Authorising officer

Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 1:40 pm on 4 December 2019 Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

4 December 2019 to 3 March 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the laundering of money believed to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the target and their involvement in money laundering activities.

Controlled operation number: CO19131/00/0

Date of application

20 January 2020

Authorising officer

Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:25 pm on 20 January 2020, Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

20 January 2020 to 16 April 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the importation and trafficking of illicit narcotics.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 16 April 2020 by ACIC authorising officer Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia. The authority was cancelled due to the controlled operation no longer proceeding.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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: CO19134/00/0

Date of application

16 December 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 11:00 am on 17 December 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

17 December 2019 to 7 February 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into money laundering and defrauding the Commonwealth.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 7 February 2020 by ACIC authorising officer Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales. The authority was cancelled following the resolution of the ACIC investigation.

Target/s of the controlled operation

No persons were identified during the course of the operation.

Nature of 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: CO19135/00/0

Date of application

23 December 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 11:50 am on 23 December 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

23 December 2019 to 7 February 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into money laundering and defrauding the Commonwealth.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 7 February 2020 by ACIC authorising officer Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales. The authority was cancelled as the controlled operation was no longer required.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the target and their involvement in money laundering activities.

Controlled operation number: CO19137/00/0

Date of application

17 December 2019

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 11:25 am on 17 December 2019 Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

17 December 2019 to 16 March 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the laundering of money believed to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in money laundering activities.

Controlled operation number: CO19138/00/0

Date of application

24 January 2020

Authorising officer

Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 11:20 am on 28 January 2020, Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

28 January 2020 to 21 April 2020

ACIC variation of authority

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into money laundering, trafficking of illicit narcotics and bribery of a Commonwealth public official.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 21 April 2020 by ACIC authorising officer Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland. The authority was cancelled as the controlled operation was no longer proceeding.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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: CO20003/00/0

Date of application

17 January 2020

Authorising officer

Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 12:55 pm on 17 January 2020, Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

17 January 2020 to 3 March 2020

ACIC variation of authority

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the importation and trafficking of illicit narcotics and the laundering of the associated proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 3 March 2020 by ACIC authorising officer Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia. The authority was cancelled following the resolution of the ACIC investigation.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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: CO20006/00/0

Date of application

3 February 2020

Authorising officer

Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 12:23 pm on 3 February 2020, Jason Leigh Halls performing the duties of State Manager Victoria, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

3 February 2020 to 3 February 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the trafficking of illicit narcotics.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 3 February 2020 by ACIC authorising officer Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria. The authority was cancelled after consultation with ACIC Legal Services.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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: CO20007/00/0

Date of application

3 February 2020

Authorising officer

Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 4:45 pm on 3 February 2020, Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

3 February 2020 to 14 February 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the importation of illicit narcotics.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 14 February 2020 by ACIC authorising officer Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria. The authority was cancelled following the arrest of the target.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Outcomes

The controlled operation obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and confirmed their involvement in illicit narcotic activities.

Some information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Controlled operation number: CO20009/00/0

Date of application

25 February 2020

Authorising officer

Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 12:38 pm on 25 February 2020, Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

25 February 2020 to 21 April 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the laundering of money believed to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 21 April 2020 by ACIC authorising officer Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia. The authority was cancelled due to the controlled operation not proceeding as planned.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained limited information in relation to the target and their involvement in money laundering activities.

Controlled operation number: CO20012/00/0

Date of application

19 February 2020

Authorising officer

Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:30 pm on 19 February 2020, Charles Byron Carver performing the duties of State Manager Queensland, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

19 February 2020 to 3 April 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into firearm and illicit narcotic trafficking and the laundering of the associated proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 3 April 2020 by ACIC authorising officer Charles Byron Carver, performing the duties of State Manager Queensland. The authority was cancelled as the controlled operation did not proceed as originally intended.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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

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Outcomes

The controlled operation obtained valuable information in relation to the target and their involvement in illicit firearm trafficking.

Controlled operation number: CO20013/00/0

Date of application

21 February 2020

Authorising officer

Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:35 pm on 21 February 2020, Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

21 February 2020 to 18 May 2020

ACIC variation of authority

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the manufacture, importation and trafficking of illicit narcotics and the laundering of the associated proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 18 May 2020 by ACIC authorising Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia. The authority was cancelled as the controlled operation was no longer required.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Outcomes

The controlled operation obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and confirmed their involvement in the importation and trafficking of illicit narcotics.

Some information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Controlled operation number: CO20014/00/1

Date of application

21 February 2020

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 12:40 pm on 21 February 2020, Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

21 February 2020 to 17 March 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Variation 1 was applied for on and granted on 5 March 2020 by ACIC authorising officer Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales. The authority was varied to include additional law enforcement participants and the extension of the period of effect to 3 months.

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the laundering of money believed to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 17 March 2020 by ACIC authorising officer Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales. The authority was cancelled as the controlled operation was no longer required.

Target/s of the controlled operation

No persons were targeted, as no controlled activity was undertaken.

Nature of 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: CO20015/00/0

Date of application

6 March 2020

Authorising officer

Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 12:45 pm on 6 March 2020, Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

6 March 2020 to 5 June 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the trafficking of illicit narcotics and the laundering of the associated proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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

INII

Outcomes

The controlled operation obtained information in relation to the target and their involvement in the importation of illicit narcotics.

Controlled operation number: CO20018/00/0

Date of application

5 March 2020

Authorising officer

Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia

Nature of application

This urgent authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(b).

Decision of authorising officer

At 2:25 pm on 5 March 2020, Douglas Marshall Miller, performing the duties of State Manager Western Australia, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted an urgent authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

5 March 2020 to 11 March 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the laundering of money believed to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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: CO20030/00/0

Date of application

14 April 2020

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This urgent authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(b).

Decision of authorising officer

At 1:40 pm on 14 April 2020, Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted an urgent authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

14 April 2020 to 20 April 2020

ACIC variation of authority

Nil

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the laundering of money believed to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in money laundering activities.

Some information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Controlled operation number: CO20032/00/0

Date of application

24 April 2020

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 9:30 am on 24 April 2020, Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

24 April 2020 to 11 May 2020

ACIC variation of authority

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the laundering of money believed to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 11 May 2020 by ACIC authorising officer Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales. The authority was cancelled as the controlled operation was no longer required.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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: CO20039/00/0

Date of application

11 May 2020

Authorising officer

Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales

Nature of application

This formal authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(a).

Decision of authorising officer

At 3:55 pm on 11 May 2020, Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted a formal authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Period of effect

11 May 2020 to 29 May 2020

ACIC variation of authority

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the laundering of money believed to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

The authority was cancelled on 29 May 2020 by ACIC authorising officer Warren Dominic Gray, performing the duties of State Manager New South Wales. The authority was cancelled as the controlled operation was no longer proceeding.

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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: CO20046/00/0

Date of application

30 May 2020

Authorising officer

Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria

Nature of application

This urgent authority was made pursuant to section 15GH(2)(b).

Decision of authorising officer

At 1:45 pm on 30 May 2020, Jason Leigh Halls, performing the duties of State Manager Victoria, an ACIC authorising officer within the meaning of section 15GF of the Act, granted an urgent authority authorising a controlled operation to be undertaken.

Some information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Period of effect

30 May 2020 to 5 June 2020

ACIC variation of authority

AAT variation of authority

Nil

Nature of criminal activities

The purpose of the controlled operation was to support the ACIC investigation into the laundering of money believed to be the proceeds of crime.

Cancellation

Not applicable

Target/s of the controlled operation

Information has been excluded under the provisions of subsections 15HN(2) and (4) of the Act.

Nature of 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 obtained valuable information in relation to the targets and their involvement in money laundering activities. This page is intentionally left blank