

APPENDIX C – PRO-FORMA REQUEST FOR COSTING AN ELECTION COMMITMENT¹

Name of policy	Our Plan to Keep Illegal Guns off Our Streets and Our Communities Safe
Person requesting costing (Prime Minister/Leader of the Opposition/Leader of a minority party):	Prime Minister
Date of public release of policy:	26 June 2016
Date of request to cost the policy:	27 June 2016
Summary of policy (please attach copies of relevant policy documents):	<p>To ensure a safe and secure Australia by investing \$64 million to tackle the threat of illegal firearms.</p> <p>\$38.9 million will extend the National Anti-Gangs Squad (NAGS) for a further two years (2017-18 & 2018-19).</p> <p>\$25 million will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Extend the AFP-led National Forensics Rapid Lab (NFRL) capability to firearms (\$12.6 million over 3 years); and - Boost the offshore, online & covert capability of the AFP (Covert Capability) to detect & disrupt firearm-related crime (\$12.8 million over 3 years).
Intention of policy:	Enhance the efforts of our law enforcement agencies to track and detect illegal firearms on our streets and attempts by criminals to illegally import firearms and their parts into Australia.
Certification that this, or a substantially similar costing request, has not been submitted to the Parliamentary Budget Office	This costing has not been submitted to the PBO.

¹ An electronic version of this pro-forma can be found at www.electioncostings.gov.au/templates.

Description of policy (please note that, where the request to cost a proposal differs from the announced policy, the costing will be on the basis of information provided in the costing request)

What are the key assumptions that have been made in the policy including:

<p>Is the policy part of a package? If yes, list and outline components and interactions with proposed or existing policies.</p>	<p>No</p>
<p>Where relevant, is funding for the policy to be demand driven or a capped amount?</p>	<p>Capped amount as detailed in the estimated costs.</p>
<p>Will third parties (for instance the States/Territories) have a role in funding or delivering the policy? If yes, is the Australian Government contribution capped, with additional costs to be met by third parties, or is another funding formula envisaged?</p>	<p>No.</p>
<p>Are there associated savings, offsets or expenses? If yes, please provide details.</p>	<p>No.</p>

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<p>Does the policy relate to a previous budget measure? If yes, which measure?</p>	<p>Relates to the existing NAGS measure.</p>
<p>If the proposal would change an existing measure, are savings expected from the departmental costs of implementing the programme? Will funding/cost require indexation? If yes, list factors used.</p>	<p>No</p>

<p>What are the estimated costs each year? Are these provided on a cash or fiscal basis?</p>	<p>NAGS 2017-18: \$19.45 million 2018-19: \$19.45 million</p> <p>AFP-led NFRL 2016-17: \$5.1 million 2017-18: \$3.73 million 2018-19: \$3.73 million</p> <p>Covert Capability 2016-17: \$5.26 million 2017-18: \$3.77 million 2018-19: \$3.77 million</p> <p>These costs show the impact on the underlying cash balance.</p>
<p>What assumptions have been made in deriving the expected financial impact in the party costing (please provide information on the data sources used to develop the policy)?</p>	<p>The NAGS assumes extension of the current policy, providing 98 ASL.</p> <p>The AFP-led NFRL assumes 10 ASL each year and total capital costs of \$1.4 million.</p> <p>The covert capability assumes 16 ASL and total capital costs of \$1.5 million.</p>
<p>Has the policy been costed by a third party? If yes, can you provide a copy of this costing and its assumptions?</p>	<p>No.</p>
<p>What is the expected community impact of the policy? How many people will be affected by the policy? What is the likely take up? What is the basis for these impact assessments/assumptions?</p>	<p>This will make the community safer by boosting law enforcement efforts to tackle illegal firearms</p>
<p>NOTE: it will be up to the professional judgment of the relevant Secretary as to whether these assumptions are adopted in a Treasury or Finance costing of the policy.</p>	

Administration of policy	
Who will administer the policy (for example, Australian Government entity, the States, non-government organisation, etc)?	Australian Federal Police
Should departmental expenses associated with this policy be included in this costing? If no, will the Department be expected to absorb expenses associated with this policy? If yes, please specify the key assumptions, including whether departmental costs are expected with respect to programme management (by policy agencies) and additional transactions/processing (by service delivery agencies).	All costs associated with this policy are departmental.
Intended date of implementation.	NAGS: 1 July 2017 AFP-led NFRL: In 2016-17 Covert Capability: In 2016-17
Intended duration of policy.	As per the estimated costs section, with an extension subject to review.
Are there transitional arrangements associated with policy implementation?	No
List major data sources utilised to develop policy (for example, ABS cat. no. 3201.0).	N/A
Are there any other assumptions that need to be considered?	No