

31 Jan 18

SPLI – QUARTERLY UPDATE – 1 Oct to 31 Dec17

1. Executive Summary

1.1 This is the second quarterly report of Service Police Legacy Investigations (SPLI). It covers the period from 1 Oct17 to 31 Dec17.

1.2. The aim of this document is to ensure the public have access to relevant information that details the progress made by SPLI.

1.3 Since SPLI took on the remaining legacy cases on 1 Jul 17, it has disposed of around 52% of its caseload in six months' operation – closing, or in the process of closing 666 allegations. At present, it still has 471 allegations that remain in case assessment.

1.4 SPLI currently has 26 Full Investigations and 25 Directed Lines of Enquiry, which account for 126 allegations. An individual investigation or a directed line can be made up of multiple allegations. It is important to note that one allegation does not always equate to a single investigation or a directed line.

1.5 SPLI is performing as anticipated and expects to complete the majority of its investigations around the end of 2018.

2. Caseload

2.1 SPLI inherited the caseload when remaining Iraq legacy allegations were reintegrated into the Service Police system.

2.2 Table 1: Inherited number of allegations under case assessment, investigation or closed.

	Allegations received/ identified	Allegations remaining in Case Assessment	Allegations under Investigation	Allegations: Closed or To Be Closed
1 Jul 17	1262	1145	117	0
30 Sep 17	1262	737	115	410
31 Dec 17	1263	471	126	666

2.3. SPLI currently has 26 Full Investigations and 25 Directed Lines of Enquiry at 31 Dec 17.

Table 2: Number of investigations between 1 Jul and 31 Dec 17.

	Allegations under Investigation	Number of Investigations		
		Total	Full	Directed Lines of Enquiry
1 Jul 17	117	43	28	15
30 Sep17	115	45	25	20
31 Dec 17	126	51	26	25

2.4. Between 1 Jul 17 and 30 Sep 17, 410 allegations were closed, or were the in process of being closed. This equated to 33% of the inherited caseload being processed. Allegations can be closed at various stages of the process.

2.5 Since 1 Oct 17, a further 256 allegations have been closed or are in the process of being closed. In total, SPLI has closed, or is in the process of closing, 666 allegations. SPLI has processed around 52% of its caseload in six months operation.

3. Referrals

3.1 SPLI inherited one referral from IHAT to the Service Prosecuting Authority (SPA). It has since been discontinued by the SPA.