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SPLI – Quarterly Update – 1 Jul to 30 Sep 18

1.Executive Summary

1.1 This is the fifth quarterly report of Service Police Legacy Investigations (SPLI). It covers the period from 1 Jul 18 to 30 Sep 18.

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 88% of its caseload in 15 months' operation – closing, or in the process of closing, 1122 allegations. Six allegations are at the case assessment stage.

1.4 SPLI currently has 27 Full Investigations and 24 Directed Lines of Enquiry, which account for 144 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 large majority of its public-facing work 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	1260 ¹	1145	115	0
30 Sep 17	1260	737	114	409
31 Dec 17	1261	471	125	665
31 Mar 18	1263	192	146	925
30 Jun 18	1263	7	141	1115
30 Sep 18	1272	6	144	1122

¹ Due to a recording error this figure was originally annotated as 1262 in the 31 Jul 18 quarterly update, and in previous quarterly reports, on the SPLI website. This was because an allegation was incorrectly recorded as being investigated. This recording error also affects the numbers in the Allegations under Investigation column. As a result, each one has now reduced by 1.

2.3. SPLI currently has 27 Full Investigations and 24 Directed Lines of Enquiry at 30 Sept 18.

Table 2: Number of investigations between 1 Jul 17 and 30 Jun 18.

	Allegations under Investigation	Number of Investigations		
		Total	Full	Directed Lines of Enquiry
1 Jul 17	115	43	28	15
31 Dec 17	125	51	26	25
31 Mar 18	146	55	26	29
30 Jun 18	141	51	27	24
30 Sep 18	144	51	27	24

2.4. Between 1 Jul 17 and 30 Sep 17, 409 allegations were closed, or were the in process of being closed. This equated to 32% of the inherited caseload being processed. Allegations can be closed at various stages of the process.

2.5 Between 1 Oct 17 and 31 Dec 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, 665 allegations. SPLI has processed around 52% of its caseload in six months' operation.

2.6 Between 1 Jan 18 and 31 Mar 18, a further 260 allegations have been closed or are in the process of being closed. In total, SPLI has closed, or is in the process of closing, 925 allegations. SPLI has processed 73% of the allegations in nine months' operation.

2.7. Between 1 Apr and 30 Jun 18, a further 190 allegations have been closed or are in the process of being closed. In total, SPLI has closed or is in the process of closing, 1115 allegations. SPLI has processed 88% of the allegations in 12 months' operation.

2.8. Between 1 Jul and 30 Sept 18, SPLI has closed, or is in the process of closing, 1122 allegations. SPLI has processed 88% of the allegations in 15 months' operation. To note, currently 12 allegations is equal to 1% of the overall caseload.

3. Referrals

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