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Good morning all, there is some social media comment off the back of last night's SBS Deep Water doco. To provide some clarity around the issue for us on social media we will be posting the below statement. At this stage, there no mainstream media follow. Cheers

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***Operation Parrabell was established in 2013 by the Bias Crimes Unit to review a number of investigations into the deaths of people connected with the Gay, Lesbian, Transgender, Bisexual, Intersex, and Queer (GLBTIQ) community.***

***The NSW Police Force remains committed to providing answers in relation to the deaths and continues to urge anyone with new information to come forward via Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000.***

***In August 2015, the operation was revised to include nine specialist investigators, which include Gay and Lesbian Liaison Officers (GLLOs).***

***Under the command of the Corporate Sponsor for Sexuality and Gender Diversity, Superintendent Tony Crandell, the operation focuses on 88 deaths that occurred between 1976 and 2000, which were highlighted by researchers as having potential bias motivation due to connection with the GLBTIQ community.***

***The operation is being conducted with the support of the Homicide Squad's Unsolved Homicide Team.***

***The reviews seek to determine the existence of bias motivation by applying criteria of 10 bias crime indicators. Any case which is determined to show possibility of bias motivation will be recommended for follow-up investigation.***

***Importantly, Operation Parrabell is not carrying out individual investigations, but rather reviewing the inquiries that took place at the time of the respective incidents.***

***While the operation is ongoing, the NSW Police Force is not in a position to provide preliminary findings on any individual cases; doing so could potentially damage the integrity of the overall review.***

***At the conclusion of the review, Operation Parrabell will be further scrutinised by an independent academic review to ensure the final recommendations are carefully considered.***