



Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes

11 September 2023

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Dear Ms Garaty,

Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes: Public Hearing 2 statements

I refer to your letters dated 4, 7 and 8 September 2023 regarding the representation of witnesses by the Office of General Counsel, NSW Police Force ("NSWPF") in relation to Public Hearing 2.

Statements provided

I confirm receipt of the following statements and related documents:

1. Statement of Ms Siobhan McMahon dated 1 September 2023 (NPL.9000.0025.0001);
2. Statement of Ms Georgina Wells dated 4 September 2023 (NPL.9000.0027.0001);
3. Statement of Mr Strath Gordon dated 5 September 2023 (NPL.9000.0028.0001);
4. Statement of Superintendent Craig Middleton dated 8 September 2023 (NPL.9000.0029.0001);
5. Statement of Detective Acting Sergeant Cameron Bignell dated 8 September 2023 (NPL.9000.0026.0007);
6. Individual Profile of Cameron Bignell (NPL.9000.0026.0001);
7. Statement of Detective Inspector Paul Grace dated 8 September 2023 (NPL.9000.0024.0012); and
8. Individual Profile of Paul Grace (NPL.9000.0024.0001).

Application for non-publication orders

I note that the Inquiry has not received any application for non-publication or other orders in relation to the statements and/or documents listed at 1-8 above.

If the NSWPF does intend to seek non-publication or other orders over these statements and/or documents, please provide me with your written application by no later than **5:00pm on 12 September 2023**.

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I note that the Inquiry's Practice Guideline 2 – Applications for non-publication outlines that any applications for non-publication or other orders are to be made to the Inquiry prior to or on the date set for production of that material to the Inquiry (see at [5]-[6]).

Statements not provided

I note that in your letter dated 4 September 2023, you sought an extension to produce statements for the following persons by 8 September 2023:

9. Detective Sergeant Alicia Taylor;
10. Detective Sergeant Rowena Clancy; and
11. Ms Jaqueline Braw.

The Inquiry has not received statements from these persons, nor has the Inquiry received a further request for an extension to produce such statements.

The Inquiry, therefore, understands that NSWPF does not intend to provide statements from these witnesses.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries in relation to this matter.

Yours faithfully,



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Director, Legal

Solicitor Assisting the Inquiry