



Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes

22 December 2022

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By email: [REDACTED]

Dear Ms Garaty,

Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes

I refer to Summons NSWPF41 dated 8 December 2022, and your letter responding to that summons dated 19 December 2022.

In that letter, you advise that the entirety of the investigative material relating to Strike Force Skarratt, as sought by Summons NSWPF41, had previously been provided to the Inquiry in the form of an E@glei brief titled "S/F SKARRATT – BOE" on 18 August 2022. Accordingly, you advise that the NSW Police Force (NSWPF) has no additional material to produce under Summons NSWPF41 that had not previously been provided to the Inquiry.

The Inquiry is unable to identify any record of the receipt of material relating to Strike Force Skarratt on 18 August 2022. Further, the Inquiry has not otherwise been able to identify a copy of the file you have identified in its records.

The Inquiry has previously been provided with a copy the Post-Operational Assessment of Strike Force Skarratt by the NSWPF. That document was requested by email correspondence addressed to Patrick Hodgetts from Emily Burston dated 16 August 2022 and was provided (as a 12 page PDF attachment titled "2016-0215 SF SKARRATT") by email reply from Mr Hodgetts on 30 August 2022. In that reply, Mr Hodgetts states that he was at that time "in a position to provide the Inquiry the full E@glei brief for SF Skarratt should it be required (in electronic form)." Summons NSWPF41 was intended to capture material including that brief, which the Inquiry now understands to represent the totality of the material responsive to that Summons.

For the assistance of the Inquiry, I would be grateful if you could clarify the circumstances in which the E@glei brief for Strike Force Skarratt was provided to the Inquiry on 18 August 2022. I would also be grateful if, for expedience, the NSWPF could provide the Inquiry with a further electronic copy of that material pursuant to Summons NSWPF41.

Please do not hesitate to contact Emily Burston on [REDACTED] if you have any queries in relation to this matter.

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Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "E. Camporeale".

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