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25 June 2023

Mr Enzo Camporeale Director, Legal Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes GPO Box 5341 SYDNEY NSW 2001

By email:

Dear Mr Camporeale

Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes – Production of documents pursuant to Summons No. NSWPF138

We refer to:

- a) summons No. NSWPF138, issued to the Commissioner of NSW Police (**Commissioner**) dated 22 June 2023 (**Summons**), with a return date of 22 June 2023;
- b) your letter to us dated 22 June 2023 enclosing the summons (Letter); and
- c) our email to you dated 22 June 2023.

The Summons and Letter are enclosed for convenience.

Production of documents

Our office is instructed that 6 photograph negatives will be produced in response to the Summons. A copy of an index listing the documents being produced is also **enclosed** with this letter. The documents will be produced electronically, with production being facilitated on the Commissioner's behalf by Corrs Chambers Westgarth.

Searches conducted

Our office is instructed that searches were conducted across all NSWPF record holdings for photographs of the property located at **Sector Sector** Summer Hill (**Property**), and no results were returned. Enquiries were also made to Forensic Evidence and Technical Services (**FETS**) to locate photographs of the Property. FETS have confirmed that they do not hold any photographs of the Property.

We are instructed that NSWPF made further enquiries with the home station of the area in which the information was located, being Ashfield Police Station to identify whether photographs from an exhibit camera, which was used in the early 2000's, may have been stored on site. A police officer at Ashfield Police Station, who was archiving non-related material at Ashfield Police Station, located a box containing an envelope with the reference number 02/585. This envelope contained negatives of the 6 photographs produced in response to the Summons. The envelope was not marked with a name or event number and was not in a location usually used to store exhibits and records.

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We are instructed that there are no other records relating to Mr Brennan at Ashfield Police Station.

Non-Publication Claims

We refer to Practice Guideline [2] dated 1 February 2023 issued by the Inquiry and your Letter.

We are instructed that NSWPF does not press for any non-publication orders over the documents produced in response to the Summons.

Yours sincerely

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