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Dear Mr Camporeale

Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes – DNA testing in relation to Peter Baumann

We refer to:

- (a) your letter dated 1 September 2023, concerning the matter of Peter Baumann and the facilitation of DNA samples from Mr Baumann's siblings in Germany;
- (b) our letter dated 6 September 2023, regarding DNA samples from Mr Baumann's siblings obtained by the Northern Territory Police; and
- (c) your letter dated 7 September 2023, requesting the NSWPF to make contact with the Northern Territory Forensic Services ("NTFS") to arrange for autosomal DNA testing to be conducted in relation to the samples taken from Mr Baumann's siblings (Samples).

We are instructed that NSWPF officers contacted the NTFS on 7 September 2023 to arrange for autosomal DNA testing to be conducted in relation to the Samples, who in turn advised that the NTFS does not currently have capacity to upload volunteer and victim samples to a National Database. However, a 'Thatcher' form can be sent to the NTFS by the NSWPF to arrange for the Northern Territory to send on the samples for testing. The NSWPF are in the process of making these arrangements.

In addition, the NSWPF will contact Franz Baumann and Anna-Christa Stiller to inform them that the NSWPF are obtaining their samples from the Northern Territory in response to the Inquiry's request.

The NSWPF will update the Inquiry as to the progress of the testing once the Thatcher form has been submitted.

Yours sincerely



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