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NSW Police Force

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Mr Enzo Camporeale
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Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes
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By email: [REDACTED]

Dear Mr Camporeale

Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes – Ernest Head - palmprint analysis technology

We refer to your letter dated 11 October 2023 regarding the death of Ernest Head, which requested Kate Reid's availability to attend a conference with the Inquiry to discuss the matters outlined in your letter.

We are instructed that the V11 matcher technology, NAFIS, is an Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission (**ACIC**) system which is provided through IDEMIA and is a national system used by all jurisdictions. Accordingly, the New South Wales Police Force does not own, or have access to, the information requested in your letter.

We are further instructed that Ms Reid would need to obtain the requested information from ACIC, noting that there may be proprietary issues with the release of this information.

We would be grateful for confirmation whether, in the circumstances, the Inquiry would nonetheless be assisted by Ms Reid requesting this information from ACIC, noting that on that basis she will likely not be in a position to provide a statement by Friday, 20 October 2023 as requested.

Yours sincerely



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