Public hearing for National Security Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2014

The Parliamentary Joint Committee on Intelligence and Security will hold a public hearing next week for its inquiry into the National Security Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2014.

Details of the hearing are as follows:

Friday 15 August 2014 – 10.30am to 1.00pm
Committee Room 1R4, Parliament House, Canberra

Time	Organisation
10.30am	Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security
11.30am	Attorney-General's Department Australian Security and Intelligence Organisation

The hearing will be broadcast live (audio only) at: http://www.aph.gov.au/live

The Bill implements many of the bipartisan recommendations made by the Committee in Chapter 4 of its 2013 *Report of the Inquiry into Potential Reforms of Australia's National Security Legislation*. Chapter 4 included 22 recommendations on reforms to legislation governing the Australian Intelligence Community, including the *Australian Security Intelligence Organisation Act 1979* and *Intelligence Services Act 2001.*

'The Committee is pleased to have the opportunity to scrutinise this important piece of national security legislation', said Committee Chair, Dan Tehan MP.

An additional hearing with non-government organisations is also being planned.

Further information about the inquiry, including full programs for the hearings, can be accessed via the Committee's website at http://www.aph.gov.au/pjcis. The Bill and Explanatory Memorandum can be accessed via http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Bills_Legislation.

For media comment, please contact the Office of the Chair, Dan Tehan MP, on 6277 4393 (Parliament House) or 03 5572 1100 (Electorate).

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