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# Review of the listing of Jabhat al-Nusra and re-listing of six terrorist organisations

## Review of the re-listing of Al-Qa'ida in the Arabian Peninsula

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## Terms of reference

This inquiry and report is conducted under the following powers:

*Criminal Code Act 1995*

### **Section 102.1A Reviews by Parliamentary Joint Committee on Intelligence and Security**

*Review of listing regulation*

- (1) If a regulation made after the commencement of this section specifies an organisation for the purposes of paragraph (b) of the definition of terrorist organisation in section 102.1, the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Intelligence and Security may:
  - (a) review the regulation as soon as possible after the making of the regulation; and
  - (b) report the Committee's comments and recommendations to each House of the Parliament before the end of the applicable disallowance period.

and

**Jabhat al-Nusra:** *Criminal Code (Terrorist Organisation – Jabhat al-Nusra) Regulation 2013*, Registered 28 June 2013 (FRLI: F2013L01217)

**Abu Sayyaf Group:** *Criminal Code (Terrorist Organisation – Abu Sayyaf Group) Regulation 2013*, Registered 11 July 2013 (FRLI: F2013L01353)

**Al-Qa'ida:** *Criminal Code (Terrorist Organisation – Al-Qa'ida) Regulation 2013*, Registered 11 July 2013 (FRLI: F2013L01357)

**Al-Qa'ida in the Lands of the Islamic Maghreb:** *Criminal Code (Terrorist Organisation – Al-Qa'ida in the Lands of the Islamic Maghreb) Regulation 2013*, Registered 11 July 2013 (FRLI: 2013L01354)

**Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant:** *Criminal Code (Terrorist Organisation – Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant) Regulation 2013*, Registered 13 December 2013 (FRLI: F2013L02097)

**Jamiat ul-Ansar:** *Criminal Code (Terrorist Organisation – Jamiat ul-Ansar) Regulation 2013*, Registered 11 July 2013 (FRLI: 2013L01356)

**Jemaah Islamiyah:** *Criminal Code (Terrorist Organisation – Jemaah Islamiyah) Regulation 2013*, Registered 11 July 2013 (FRLI: 2013L01355)

**Al-Qa'ida in the Arabian Peninsula:** *Criminal Code (Terrorist Organisation – Al-Qa'ida in the Arabian Peninsula) Regulation 2013*, Registered 25 November 2013 (FRLI: F2013L01969)





## List of abbreviations

AGS	Australian Government Solicitor
AQ	Al-Qa'ida
AQI	Al-Qa'ida in Iraq
AQAP	Al-Qa'ida in the Arabian Peninsula
AQIM	Al-Qa'ida in the Lands of the Islamic Maghreb
ASG	Abu Sayyaf Group
ASIO	Australian Security Intelligence Organisation
FRLI	Federal Register of Legislative Instruments
IED	Improvised explosive devices
ISIL	Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant
Jl	Jemaah Islamiyah
JuA	Jamiat ul-Ansar
UNSC	United Nations Security Council





# List of recommendations

## 2 The listings

### Recommendation 1

The Committee recommends that the regulation, made under the Criminal Code section 102.1, to list Jabhat al-Nursa as a terrorist organisation not be disallowed.

### Recommendation 2

The Committee recommends that the regulation, made under the Criminal Code section 102.1, to list the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant as a terrorist organisation not be disallowed.

### Recommendation 3

The Committee recommends that the regulation, made under the Criminal Code section 102.1, to list al-Qa'ida as a terrorist organisation not be disallowed.

### Recommendation 4

The Committee recommends that the regulation, made under the Criminal Code section 102.1, to list Abu Sayyaf Group as a terrorist organisation not be disallowed.

### Recommendation 5

The Committee recommends that the regulation, made under the Criminal Code section 102.1, to list al-Qa'ida in the Lands of the Islamic Maghreb as a terrorist organisation not be disallowed.

**Recommendation 6**

The Committee recommends that the regulation, made under the Criminal Code section 102.1, to list Jamiat ul-Ansar as a terrorist organisation not be disallowed.

**Recommendation 7**

The Committee recommends that the regulation, made under the Criminal Code section 102.1, to list Jemaah Islamiyah as a terrorist organisation not be disallowed.

**Recommendation 8**

The Committee recommends that the regulation, made under the Criminal Code section 102.1, to list Al-Qa'ida in the Arabian Peninsula as a terrorist organisation not be disallowed.

