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The Secretary
Public Works Committee
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Sir/Madam

I write to support the proposed redevelopment of the Australian Institute of Police Management (AIPM) at North Head.

The AIPM is an invaluable institution for policing in Australia and, increasingly, for policing in our region of the world. It is an institution that serves the needs of Tasmania Police as this organisation strives for greater professionalism and consequent improved service delivery to the Tasmanian community.

The senior executive of Tasmania Police, as well as many of the future leaders of our organisation, have all passed through the AIPM during their careers and have been the better for it. The executive leadership and management courses provided by the AIPM have always been first class and have served our needs well, and will continue to do so into the future. As far as this organisation is concerned, a redevelopment of the AIPM site is essential and will provide immense benefits, not only for Tasmania Police, but for all Australian jurisdictions and overseas jurisdictions in our region of the world.

The AIPM is ideally located to meet the needs of Australian law enforcement. It is a convenient location also for visiting presenters, be they from Australia or other parts of the world. It has a rich heritage, but also has many practical advantages in terms of accessibility and security. In order to meet the growing needs of law enforcement agencies, redevelopment of the site is imperative and I have no hesitation in stating that Tasmania Police fully supports the redevelopment of the AIPM.

Yours faithfully

Richard McCreadie AO APM BA COMMISSIONER OF POLICE