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The Secretary Public Works Committee Parliament House Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Sir/Madam,

Submission to Inquiry into Redevelopment of Australian institute of Police Management, North head Manly NSW

I am writing this submission as a resident of Manly's Eastern Hill, a voluntary Penguin Warden, a volunteer bandicoot monitor on North Head and a voluntary rubbish collector at Collins Beach. I walk there almost daily for the simple reason that it is secluded, quiet and full of natural wonders. I collect the washed up refuse and talk to boat owners about the protection of the Little Penguins, who have chosen the rocky foreshore below the Institute for their breeding activities. They need peace and quiet and protection from human activity which already has been affecting their numbers negatively through over development in Manly.

I appreciate the fact that so far the Institute's residents and visitors have been cooperative and sensitive to the penguin's needs; however, I am worried about the future if the proposed redevelopment goes ahead.

The consequence of demolition, building activity, increase in accommodation, commercial letting, public access, open air entertainment, increase in visitors would inevitably be:

More noise More traffic More pollution Loss of Penguin habitat Loss of Bandicoot habitat

1. All these would have a detrimental effect on this area's FAUNA AND FLORA

2. My other concern is the HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE of the whole of Collins Flat.

The existing buildings used to be part of the Quarantine Station which is of great heritage value for Australia's history of white settlement. By demolishing and replacing some of the buildings (one with 3 levels) the visual characteristics of this area would be altered and destroyed forever.

3. My third point is a concern for the residents of the immediate **NEIGHBORHOOD**. Last night I was sitting on a friend's balcony at the end of Wood Street, just across the water from the Institute. Apart from penguins' mating noises, we also heard loud laughter from three ladies sitting on the Institute's verandah. This contributed very nicely to the general atmosphere. Can you imagine, however, what it would be like if there was a 'Function Centre' and a 35sqm open 'Entertainment Deck'?

IN THE WAKE OF NORTH HEAD'S LISTING AS A NATIONAL HERITAGE SITE, such radical redevelopment of one of its most significant parts would be a very sad sign of complete disregard for the wonderful treasures we have in Australia.

Thank you very much for giving me the opportunity to make this submission and for granting an extension of time for the purpose of adding the signatures by concerned fellow residents and visitors.

Yours Faithfully, Angelika Treichler

Attached: 356 signatures