



THE SENATE

**LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS REFERENCES COMMITTEE**

**Right wing extremist movements in Australia**

**PUBLIC HEARING  
Wednesday 24 July 2024**

**Committee Room 2S1  
Parliament House, Canberra**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Witness</b>
8.45 am	<b>Universities Australia</b> ( <i>Submission 12</i> ) Mr Luke Sheehy, Chief Executive Officer (via videoconference)
9.30 am	<b>Panel:</b> <b>Queensland University of Technology</b> ( <i>Submission 6</i> ) Dr John Byron, Principal Policy Adviser  <b>Dr Jordan McSwiney, Dr Imogen Richards, Dr Kurt Sengul, Callum Jones, and Cam Smith</b> ( <i>Submission 18</i> )
10.30 am	<b>Challenging Racism Project</b> ( <i>Submission 43</i> ) Dr Rachel Sharples, Lecturer - Social Sciences
<b>11.15 am</b>	<b>Morning tea</b>
11.30 am	<b>ANU Law Reform and Social Justice Research Hub</b> ( <i>Submission 20</i> ) Ms Jae Brieffies, Student Researcher Ms Adeline Toohey, Student Researcher Ms Lolade Ogunbambi, Student Researcher Mr Benjamin Archibald, Student Researcher Ms Esther Bornstein, Student Researcher
12.15 pm	<b>Dr John Coyne, Mr Henry Campbell, and Ms Angela Suriyasenee, Australian Strategic Policy Institute (ASPI)</b> (via videoconference) ( <i>Submission 22</i> )
<b>1.00 pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
1.30 pm	<b>Panel:</b> <b>Islamophobia Register Australia</b> Mrs Mariam Veiszadeh, Founder and Chair (via videoconference)  <b>Australian Muslim Advocacy Network</b> Ms Rita Jabri Markwell, Legal Advisor (via videoconference)
2.30 pm	<b>NSW Council for Civil Liberties</b> ( <i>Submission 21</i> ) Ms Lydia Shelly, President (via videoconference) Mr Stephen Blanks, Executive Committee Member (via videoconference)
<b>3.15 pm</b>	<b>Afternoon tea</b>

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4.15 pm	<b>Counter Extremism Project</b> ( <i>Submission 3</i> ) Mr Alexander Ritzmann, Senior Advisor (via videoconference) Mr Joshua Fisher-Birch, Content Review Specialist/Researcher (via videoconference)
5.00 pm	<b>Panel:</b> <b>Australian Security Intelligence Organisation (ASIO)</b> ( <i>Submission 7</i> ) Mr Mike Burgess, Director-General of Security  <b>Department of Home Affairs</b> ( <i>Submission 8</i> ) Mr Nathan Smyth, Deputy Secretary National Security and Resilience Ms Gemma Smyth, First Assistant Secretary, Counter-Terrorism Coordination Centre, National Security and Resilience Group Mr Alexander Goldie, Assistant Secretary, Countering Violent Extremism, National Security and Resilience Group  <b>Attorney-General's Department</b> ( <i>Submission 16</i> ) Ms Brooke Hartigan, First Assistant Secretary - Security and Counter-Terrorism Division Ms Chloe Davidson, Acting Assistant Secretary, Security Law and Policy Branch  <b>Australian Federal Police (AFP)</b> ( <i>Submission 27</i> ) Acting Deputy Commissioner Alison Wegg, Acting Deputy Commissioner National Security Commander Thomas Hester, Commander Counter Terrorism North
6.30 pm	<b>Adjournment</b>