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Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Chair

I write to request that the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Law Enforcement (PJCLE) consider reviewing the operation of the *Australian Crime Commission Amendment (Special Operations and Special Investigations) Act 2019* (the SOSI Act).

The SOSI Act, passed by both Houses of the Parliament in December 2019, amended the *Australian Crime Commission Act 2002* (the ACC Act) to confirm the validity of current and former special Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission (ACIC) operations and special ACIC investigations determinations. The Act also amended the process in the ACC Act for the ACIC Board to make future special ACIC operations and special ACIC investigations determinations.

The aim of the SOSI Act was to enable the ACIC to continue to fulfil its statutory functions as Australia's national criminal intelligence agency, without interruption. If the Committee is willing to undertake this review, may I suggest that the terms of reference consider the effectiveness of the SOSI Act in achieving this aim and also that the Committee seek to report on its findings by 31 July 2021.

Thank you for your time in considering this request.

Yours sincerely

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