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**Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade
Human Rights Sub-Committee**

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*Chair: The Hon Philip Ruddock MP
Deputy: Senator Anne McEwen*

Canberra hearing for inquiry into the abolition of the death penalty

The Human Rights Sub-Committee of the Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade will conduct a public hearing in Canberra on Friday 27 November 2015 as part of its inquiry into Australia's advocacy for the abolition of the death penalty.

The Sub-Committee will hold discussions with government officials, academics and abolition advocates from Australia and around the world.

Details of the hearing

Start: 8:00 am
Date: Friday, 27 November 2015
Location: Committee Room 2R1, Parliament House, Canberra

Program

<i>Time</i>	<i>Witness/Organisation</i>
8:00 am	Dr Bharat Malkani
8:30 am	Civil Liberties Australia
9:00 am	Dr Amy Maguire
9:30 am	Australian Catholic Bishops Conference
10:00 am	Aussies Against Capital Punishment
10:30 am	Professor Don Rothwell
11:00 am	Australian Federal Police & Attorney General's Department
1:30 pm	Mr Gary Humphries
2:10 pm	Dr Daniel Pascoe

Submissions to the inquiry, including those from the organisations appearing at this hearing, are available at: www.aph.gov.au/deathpenalty.

The hearing will be audio webcast live on: www.aph.gov.au/live.

For media comment: Contact the Sub-Committee Chair, the Hon Philip Ruddock MP via Mr Ross Macdonald on 0417 852 209. For all other inquiries, contact the Inquiry Secretary on (02) 6277 4306.