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### PARLIAMENTARY JOINT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY

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## Public hearing to discuss High Risk Terrorist Offenders

Parliament's Intelligence and Security Committee will hold a public hearing on Friday for its review of the Criminal Code Amendment (High Risk Terrorist Offenders) Bill 2016.

The bill establishes a scheme for the continuing detention of high risk terrorist offenders at the conclusion of their custodial sentence. Under the bill, the Attorney-General could apply to the Supreme Court of a State or Territory for a continuing detention order, which, if made, would commit the terrorist offender to be detained for up to three additional years.

The Chair of the Committee, Mr Michael Sukkar MP, said 'the Committee will closely examine the Bill to ensure that it adequately protects the community from terrorist offenders, while protecting individual rights and the rule of law'.

#### Public hearing: Friday 14 October 2016, Committee Room 1R3, Parliament House, Canberra

- 9.00am to 9.45am:** Law Council of Australia
- 9.45am to 10.30am:** Australian Human Rights Commission
- 10.45am to 11.30am:** Dr Tamara Tulich and Dr Rebecca Ananian-Welsh (by teleconference)
- 11.30am to 12.00pm:** Muslim Legal Network (NSW)
- 12.00pm to 12.30pm:** Joint councils for civil liberties (by teleconference)
- 1.30pm to 3.00pm:** Attorney-General's Department and Australian Federal Police

The hearing will be broadcast live at: <http://www.aph.gov.au/live>

Written submissions are requested by 12 October 2016 and will be made available to view [online](#).

The Committee has been asked to report by 4 November 2016.

Further information about the inquiry can be accessed via the Committee's website at <http://www.aph.gov.au/pjicis>. The Bill and Explanatory Memorandum can be accessed via [http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary\\_Business/Bills\\_Legislation](http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Bills_Legislation).

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