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Dear Secretary

Re: Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs inquiry into the Crimes Legislation Amendment Bill (No.2) 2011

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment to the inquiry.

Both the NSW Police Force and NSW Crime Commission have noted that the Bill, within the proposed section 4C (4) of the *Family Law Act* 1975, will enable a person or body to be prescribed within the Regulations as a proceeds of crime authority; however, the Bill does not define what persons or bodies would fall within that definition.

A 'note' within the Bill appears to state that the Regulations may define a 'proceeds of crime authority' based on the state or territory authority who originally applied for a proceeds of crime order.

It would be appreciated if NSW were consulted upon drafting of the Regulations to ensure all relevant agencies are included within the definition of 'proceeds of crime authority'.

Yours sincerely

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