

HOUSE FAMILY AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE INQUIRY INTO CHILD CUSTODY ARRANGEMENTS Issued: 17 December 2003

Chair: Mrs Kay Hull, MP Deputy: Mrs Julia Irwin, MP

Media Notification

Child custody report to be released on Monday 29 December 2003

On **Monday 29 December** the House of Representatives Family and Community Affairs Committee will release the report of its six-month inquiry into child custody arrangements in the event of family separation.

The report will be released at **10.30am**.

The report will be available on the committee website (www.aph.gov.au/house/committee/fca) as soon as it is released. Copies of the report will also be distributed in the federal parliamentary Press Gallery from 10.30am. There will be <u>no</u> embargoed copies issued.

Committee Members will then hold a media conference at Parliament House in Canberra at **11.30am**.

The House of Representatives Family and Community Affairs Committee Chair, Mrs Kay Hull, will then be available for individual interview after the media conference (ie **from approx 12.30pm**). She will be contactable only via the mobile phone number listed below.

Media Conference

WHERE: Committee Room 2R1, Parliament House, CanberraWHEN: 11.30am, Monday 29 December 2003

A media conference will be held by the committee from 11.30am in Committee Room 2R1. The event will <u>NOT</u> be broadcast on the in-house parliamentary monitoring system (but the room will be miked, and a sound-split available on-site).

Background: The committee received more than 1700 submissions, and spent a total of 21 days gathering evidence in all states and territories. Copies of submissions and transcripts of hearings are available on the committee website.

To arrange media comment from the Chair, please contact: Mrs Kay Hull, MP (Chair), tel: 0428 214 600

For further details on the inquiry, including background documentation: contact the Committee Secretariat on (02) 6277 4566 or visit the inquiry website at <u>www.aph.gov.au/house/committee/fca</u>