

PARLIAMENTARY JOINT COMMITTEE on INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY

MEDIA ALERT

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Chair: The Hon Anthony Byrne MP Deputy: The Hon Philip Ruddock MP

Inquiry into Potential Reforms of National Security Legislation

Committee hearings on Reforms to National Security Legislation in Sydney

Numerous submitters to the inquiry into Potential Reforms to National Security Legislation will give evidence at a public hearing of the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Intelligence and Security in Sydney on Wednesday 26 September.

Committee Chair Mr Anthony Byrne MP said the Committee will discuss a number of issues which the Committee are seeking information on.

"Clearly, several key issues have emerged in the course of our hearings and in submissions made to the committee. The committee will hear how the proposed changes to National Security Legislation will assist law enforcement agencies and intelligence agencies as well as detail potential privacy impacts.

"It is important that the proposed reforms in this area are widely discussed with industry players, concerned groups and law enforcement and intelligence agencies within the Australian community. The Committee's inquiry is a valuable first step in providing feedback to the Government on views relating to such changes."

Program

Wednesday, 26 September 2012

Sydney Macquarie Room NSW Parliament

- 9.00 NSW Crime Commissioner
- 9.45 Police Integrity Commission
- 10.30 Break
- 10.45 NSW Police
- 11.30 Blueprint for Free Speech
- 12.15 Lunch
- 1.00 NSW Council for Civil Liberties
- 1.45 Queensland Crime and Misconduct Commission
- 2.30 Break
- 2.45 NSW Young Lawyers

The public hearing will be audio webcast live on: http://www.aph.gov.au/News_and_Events/Watch_Parliament

Terms of reference for the inquiry, a discussion paper and submissions can be found at the Committee's website: www.aph.gov.au/picis

For more information, contact the Committee Secretariat on **02 6277 2360** or visit the PJCIS's website at http://www.aph.gov.au/pjcis