

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 to hear from Telecommunications Industry on Reforms to National Security Legislation

Telecommunication 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 Thursday 27 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

## Thursday, 27 September 2012

# Sydney Macquarie Room NSW Parliament

- 9.00 Telstra
- 9.45 Vodaphone Hutchison
- 10.30 Break
- 10.45 Australian Securities and Investments Commission
- 11.30 Internet Society of Australia
- 12.15 Break
- 1.00 iiNet
- 1.45 Gilbert + Tobin Centre of Public Law
- 2.30 Break

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: <a href="https://www.aph.gov.au/pjcis">www.aph.gov.au/pjcis</a>

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