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Hon Matthew Swinbourn MLC
Chairperson
Standing Committee on Environment and Public Affairs
Parliament House
Harvest Terrace
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Dear Mr Swinbourn

Petition No. 060 – Accountability for Police and corruption oversight agencies

Thank you for the opportunity to provide a submission to the Standing Committee on Environment and Public Affairs in relation to the above petition. I tabled this petition on behalf of a local resident and I can advise the Committee that I have not referred these issues to the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administrative Investigations.

I am advised by the principal petitioner that she and other members of the Western Australian community believe that the current system in place to address issues of misconduct within the Western Australian police force are insufficient. I am also advised that avenues for aggrieved members of the public to make complaints against officers are inadequate and there is a need for an independent police complaints commission.

I recommend the Committee consider investigating whether the creation of an independent police complaints commission would be of benefit to the Western Australian community.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely

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