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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE CORRUPTION AND CRIME COMMISSION

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Hon Barry House, MLC President of the Legislative Council Parliament House PERTH WA 6000

Dear Mr President

Three new inquiries

I hereby advise that on 24 November 2010 the Joint Standing Committee on the Corruption and Crime Commission resolved to conduct three new inquiries.

The first inquiry is an inquiry into how the Corruption and Crime Commission deals with allegations and notifications of WA Police misconduct. The terms of reference of this inquiry are as follows.

That the Committee inquire into and report on:

- how the Corruption and Crime Commission deals with allegations and notifications of WA Police misconduct;
- the impact of the Corruption and Crime Commission's practices in this regard on the capacity of the WA Police to deal effectively and appropriately with WA Police misconduct; and
- how the Corruption and Crime Commission's practices in this regard compare to Police oversight bodies in other jurisdictions.

The Committee will report to Parliament by 22 September 2011.

The second inquiry is an inquiry into whether the Corruption and Crime Commission should continue to conduct public hearings in the exercise of its misconduct function. The terms of reference of this inquiry are as follows.

That the Committee inquire into and report on:

- what factors the Commissioner of the Corruption and Crime Commission takes into account when deciding whether or not to conduct a public hearing;
- how the Corruption and Crime Commission preserves procedural fairness in conducting public hearings;
- how the Corruption and Crime Commission's practices in this regard compare to other jurisdictions;
- whether the Corruption and Crime Commission should maintain a statutory discretion to conduct public hearings in the exercise of its misconduct function; and
- if so, what statutory criteria should apply.

The Committee will report to Parliament by 22 September 2011.

The third inquiry is an inquiry into whether the Corruption and Crime Commission should have the jurisdiction to recover proceeds of crime and unexplained wealth. The terms of reference of this inquiry are as follows.

That the Committee inquire into and report on:

- how proceeds of crime and unexplained wealth are presently recovered; and
- whether the Corruption and Crime Commission should have the jurisdiction to recover proceeds of crime and unexplained wealth.

The Committee will report to Parliament by 22 September 2011.

Should you require any further information, please contact Mr Scott Nalder, Principal Research Officer, on 9222 7467.

Yours sincerely

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