



Speech by

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PARLIAMENTARY CRIME AND MISCONDUCT COMMITTEE

Reports

Mr HOOLIHAN (Keppel—ALP) (10.29 am): I lay upon the table of the House report No. 75 of the Parliamentary Crime and Misconduct Committee, attaching the report of the Parliamentary Crime and Misconduct Commissioner, Mr Alan MacSporran SC, on his inspection of the CMC's records regarding surveillance device warrants for the period 1 July 2006 to 30 April 2007.

Tabled paper: Report No.75—A report on the Parliamentary Crime and Misconduct Commissioner's report on his inspection, pursuant to Section 362 of the *Police Powers and Responsibilities Act 2000*, of the CMC's records regarding surveillance device warrants for the period 1 July 2006 to 30 April 2007.

His inspection was conducted pursuant to section 362 of the Police Powers and Responsibilities Act 2000. Upon receipt of Mr MacSporran's report, the committee had some concerns regarding aspects of the CMC's records that were disclosed by Mr MacSporran's inspection.

The committee sought and received a response from the CMC chairperson, Mr Robert Needham. The committee's report makes reference, as appropriate, to the response of the CMC.

I also lay upon the table of the House a letter from Mr Needham dated 17 July 2007 attaching the CMC's report for the year to 30 June 2007 on compliance requirements for both assumed identities under section 314(1) of the Police Powers and Responsibilities Act and surveillance devices under section 358(1) of that act.

Tabled paper: Letter, dated 17 July 2007, from Robert Needham, Chairperson Crime and Misconduct Commission to Mr P Hoolihan MP, Chair Parliamentary Crime and Misconduct Committee relating to the annual compliance requirements for assumed identities and surveillance devices.

Tabled paper: Annual Report to the Parliamentary Crime and Misconduct Committee for the period 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2007 on compliance requirements under the *Police Powers and Responsibilities Act 2000* for assumed identities and surveillance devices.

I commend the committee's report to the House.

I further lay upon the table of the House a report of the Parliamentary Crime and Misconduct Commissioner, Mr Alan MacSporran SC, on the work and activities of the Crime and Misconduct Commission under chapter 11 of the Police Powers and Responsibilities Act 2000.

Tabled paper: Report by the Parliamentary Crime and Misconduct Commissioner dated September 2007 titled 'Report of the Work and Activities of the Crime and Misconduct Commission Under Chapter 11 of the *Police Powers and Responsibilities Act 2000*'.

These activities relate to controlled operations carried out by the CMC in the exercise of its crime function. Following recent amendments to the act, the parliamentary commissioner is required to inspect the CMC's records at least annually to ascertain the extent of the CMC's compliance with the controlled operations provisions.

I further lay upon the table of the House a letter dated 17 July 2007 from the chair of the Controlled Operations Committee, currently Mr Needham, who is required to report annually to the committee on the CMC's controlled operations activity for its misconduct function.

Tabled paper: Letter, dated 17 July 2007, from Robert Needham, Chairperson Crime and Misconduct Commission to Mr P Hoolihan MP, Chair Parliamentary Crime and Misconduct Committee relating to the annual compliance requirements for controlled operations.

Mr Needham advises that there are no such activities to report for the year to 30 June 2007.