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Commissioner  
Australian Federal Police  
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Dear Commissioner

To assist with your preparations ahead of your appearance at the spillover Senate Estimates hearing on 19 March 2024, I am writing to alert you to particular topics I intend to explore.

It would greatly assist the Committee if you could ensure officials from Australian Federal Police (AFP) come prepared to speak to:

1. the implications of the technical issue which resulted in invalid visas being issued to the NZYQ-affected cohort, including when the AFP became aware of the issue and the steps the AFP has taken in response;
2. the role of the AFP in the ongoing management and surveillance of the NZYQ-affected cohort, including the AFP's knowledge of the specific whereabouts of each individual;
3. the role of the AFP in coordinating with state and territory police with regard to surveillance, arrests, and criminal proceedings involving the NZYQ-affected cohort;
4. the latest figures regarding alleged crimes committed by the NZYQ-affected cohort, their detention status, and the AFP's role in any applications for, or enforcement of, community safety detention orders (CSDOs) or community safety supervision orders (CSSOs).

Please note this list is not exhaustive and I will be seeking to discuss other topics if time permits.

Your assistance with this request is greatly appreciated.

Kind regards,

**SENATOR JAMES PATERSON**