



THE SENATE

ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

**Communications Legislation Amendment (Combating Misinformation and Disinformation)
Bill 2024 [Provisions]**

**PUBLIC HEARING
Monday 11 November 2024**

**Committee Room 2S3
Australian Parliament House, Canberra**

Time	Witness
9.00 am	Human Rights Law Centre (<i>Submission 60</i>) Mr David Mejia-Canales, Senior Lawyer Victorian Bar (<i>Submission 62</i>) Mr James McComish, Barrister, Member of the Victorian Bar's Communications Legislation Amendment Working Group Professor Anne Twomey AO, private capacity, via videoconference (no submission)
9.45 am	Australian Jewish Association, via videoconference (<i>Submission 83</i>) Mr Robert Gregory, Chief Executive Officer Dr David Adler, President
10.15 am	<i>Morning Break</i>
10.25 am	National Emergency Management Agency (no submission) Mr Joel Buffone, Deputy Coordinator-General
11.10 am	CitizenGO (<i>Submission 47</i>) Mr Brian Marlow, Australian Campaigner
11.40 am	Australian Muslim Advocacy Network, via videoconference (<i>Submission 29</i>) Ms Rita Jabri Markwell, Legal Advisor
12.10 pm	<i>Lunch Break</i>
12.55 pm	Australian Media Literacy Alliance, via videoconference (<i>Submission 90</i>) Ms Anita Planchon, Chair Mrs Christine Evely, Deputy Chair Dr Michael Dezuanni, Committee Member
1.25 pm	Local and Independent News Association (no submission) Ms Claire Stuchbery, Executive Director
2.10 pm	<i>Afternoon Break</i>

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2.20 pm	Department of Home Affairs (<i>Submission 87</i>) Ms Jeni Whalan, First Assistant Secretary – Office of Community Cohesion, via videoconference Mr David Chick, Assistant Secretary – Counter Foreign Interference Policy and Coordination Mr Alexander Goldie, Assistant Secretary – Countering Violent Extremism
3.05 pm	Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts (<i>Submission 74</i>) Mr James Chisholm, Deputy Secretary Ms Sarah Vandenbroek, First Assistant Secretary – Digital Platforms, Safety and Classification Division Mr Andrew Hyles, Assistant Secretary – Digital Platforms, International and Policy Branch Mr Sam Kursar, Director – Digital Platforms, International and Policy Branch Australian Communications and Media Authority (<i>Submission 3</i>) Ms Creina Chapman, Deputy Chair Ms Autumn Field, General Manager, Content Ms Rochelle Zurnamer, Executive Manager, Misinformation and Disinformation Ms Kelly Mudford, Manager, Disinformation and Platforms
5.05 pm	<i>Adjournment</i>