## COVID-19, criminal activity and law enforcement Submission 18

To the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Law Enforcement,

In regards to reference term e, f, g, and h,

Queensland Police responded very well to the COVID-19 outbreak and were simultaneously able to effectively police large gatherings. The ABC uses the term, "police state," liberally but it's better than Kosovo (or Victoria.) Due to the sensitive nature of operational information across various domains I would restrict my suggestion for inquiry to assess the effect recent increased staffing levels may have had on Queensland's ability to respond. I would further suggest that state and federal police look to Queensland's staffing policy as an example. Queensland had spare hands rather than being caught short handed when it mattered most. To this end I would request that the committee seek advice from Commissioner Katarina Carroll regarding appropriate staffing levels.

As for Victoria, we must build a wall. I have solved a vast number of national problems to this end. UNSW has developed 'micro-factory' technology capable of forming assorted waste plastic into blocks of questionable durability and longevity. Waste could be piled and sorted by color or texture to produce outrageous slogans and murals in the border wall that could be seen from the horizon. This would provide a much needed injection into the ailing Victorian Arts sector. The CFMEU no doubt would revel at the scope of such an ambitious civil construction project and all the work it would create. A toxic waste barrier could also be established allowing for the disposal of PFAS and nuclear waste, ensuring that any unauthorized border crossings will result in Victorians coming over the other side are sufficiently distinguishable due to the third arm and healthy glow. This wall, if Hadrian's wall and the Great Wall of China are anything to go by, will further serve to boost the tourism industry. Once the wall is completed we will let an Escape from New York type scenario play out across the state. It would further serve as an important new training ground for military and paramilitary exercises. The best part of this plan is that we will make Victoria pay for it.

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