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INQUIRY INTO TELECOMMUNICATIONS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (INTERNATIONAL PRODUCTION ORDERS) BILL 2020

I thank the Committee for the opportunity to make this submission to the above Inquiry.

The Police Federation of Australia (PFA) represents the professional and industrial interests of in excess of 64,000 Australian police officers across all states and territories and the Australian Federal Police.

The PFA has been a long-time supporter of legislation that will better enhance their members' ability to prevent, detect, investigate and prosecute the perpetrators of serious crimes. This particular piece of legislation, we believe, will support our members in the investigation of crimes such as counter terrorism and child sexual abuse and assist them in targeting other serious and organised crime.

We support the intent of the legislation and trust that the Committee will fully investigate the Bill to ensure that there are appropriate oversight and accountability measures put in place to ensure ongoing community support and privacy issues and that any international agreements that are needed to be reached do not inhibit police using the proposed legislation to its fullest extent.

The PFA would be happy to provide any further evidence or support for the introduction of the legislation.

Yours sincerely

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