Parliamentary inquiry into a better family law system to support and protect those affected by family violence

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Family violence inquiry returns to Canberra for hearings

The <u>Parliamentary Inquiry into a better family law system to support and protect those affected by family violence</u> will return to Canberra to hear from the One in Three Campaign at a public hearing on Tuesday 5 September. One in Three Campaign is an organisation which raises awareness of the impact of family violence on all members of the family.

The Chair of the Committee, <u>Sarah Henderson MP</u>, said "the Committee has received evidence that not all victims of family violence are women. It is important to hear from organisations such as One in Three, which is concerned that the number of men who are victims of family violence is underreported."

A detailed program for the hearing is available from the <u>Inquiry website</u>.

Public hearing details:

5.45pm to 6.15 pm, Tuesday 5 September Committee Room 2R1, Parliament House, Canberra

The hearing will be streamed live at aph.gov.au/live and audio of the hearing will be made available from the <u>Inquiry website</u> at a later date.

Members of the public are welcome to attend the hearing however there will be limited seating available.

Please be aware that the Committee is unable to intervene or provide advice in relation to individual circumstances. If you are in immediate danger, please contact 000. If you are experiencing distress or would like to speak with someone about your situation, the following support services are available:

1800RESPECT national helpline: 1800 737 732

Women's Crisis Line: 1800 811 811Men's Referral Service: 1300 766 491

Lifeline: 131 114

Relationships Australia: 1300 364 277

• Kids Helpline: 1800 55 1800

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