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Inquiry into crystal methamphetamine

The Chair and Deputy Chair of the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Law Enforcement, Mr Craig Kelly MP and Senator the Hon Lisa Singh, today announced an inquiry into the importation, manufacture, distribution and use of crystal methamphetamine.

In particular, the committee will examine:

- (a) the role of Commonwealth law enforcement agencies in responding to the importation, manufacture, distribution and use of methamphetamine and its chemical precursors;
- (b) the adequacy of Commonwealth law enforcement resources for the detection, investigation and prosecution of criminal activities involving the importation, manufacture, distribution and use of methamphetamine and its chemical precursors;
- (c) the effectiveness of collaborative arrangements for Commonwealth law enforcement agencies with their regional and international counterparts to minimise the impact of methamphetamine on Australian society;
- (d) the involvement of organised crime including international organised crime and outlaw motorcycle gangs in methamphetamine related criminal activities;
- (d) the nature, prevalence and culture of methamphetamine use in Australia, including in indigenous, regional and non-English speaking communities;
- (e) strategies to reduce the high demand for methamphetamines in Australia; and
- (f) other related issues.

As part of its inquiry, the committee will conduct public hearings in major capital cities and regional areas. The committee expects to commence its public hearing program in July 2015. Dates and venues for the hearings will be published on the committee's website: www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Joint/Law_Enforcement

The committee welcomes written submissions related to its inquiry by 10 June 2015. For more information regarding making a submission, please contact the committee secretariat.

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