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Dear Ms Dennett

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission to the inquiry on Combating the Financing of People Smuggling and Other Measures Bill 2011.

Victoria Police supports the Bill as it will assist to reduce the risk that remittance dealers will be involved, deliberately or inadvertently, in financing people smuggling, laundering money or financing terrorism. It will also improve intelligence and protect against criminal infiltration of the sector and enable AUSTRAC to crack down on remitters acting unlawfully and improperly.

I note that under the proposed registration by the AUSTRAC CEO, charges and convictions may be specified in the rules established under section 75C. Victoria Police advises that only guilty or proven court outcomes will permanently feed into the national system.

Yours sincerely

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