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**PROGRAM**

*'Protecting whistleblowers within the federal government public sector'*  
Roundtable Discussion

Tuesday, 9 September 2008

Committee Room 2R1, Parliament House, Canberra

1:30pm – 1:35pm	<b>Welcome and Opening Remarks</b> Mr Mark Dreyfus QC MP, Chair, Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs
1:35pm – 2:50pm	<p style="text-align: right;"><b><u>Session 1</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Theme 1:</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>'If In Doubt, Report': Recognising The Full Landscape of Public Interest Whistleblowing</b></p> <p><b>Introduced by:</b> Dr A.J. Brown, Project Leader, Australian Research Council Linkage Project 'Whistling While They Work'</p> <p><b><u>Theme 2:</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Making It Work in Practice: Systems and Institutions for the Capture and Management of Disclosures</b></p> <p><b>Introduced by:</b> Professor John McMillan, Commonwealth Ombudsman</p>
2:50pm – 3:10pm	<i>Afternoon Tea</i>
3:10 – 4:25pm	<p style="text-align: right;"><b><u>Session 2</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Theme 3:</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>When All Else Fails (1): An Effective System for Compensating Mismanaged Whistleblowers</b></p> <p><b>Introduced by:</b> Mr Stephen Jones, National Secretary, Community and Public Sector Union (CPSU)</p> <p><b><u>Theme 4:</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>When All Else Fails (2): When Is It 'Reasonable' To Make a Public or Third Party Disclosure?</b></p> <p><b>Introduced by:</b> Mr Paul Chadwick, Director, Editorial Policies, Australian Broadcasting Corporation</p>
4:25pm – 4:30pm	<b>Closing Remarks &amp; Thanks</b> Mr Mark Dreyfus QC MP, Chair, Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs