

Submission from Mr Geoffrey Brandon

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I acknowledge your recent advertisement in the Weekend Australian regarding ASIO Public Reporting.

My very unpleasant experiences with ASIO over the past 17 years have lead me to comment on the ASIO Public Reporting process.

I have previously complained about such covert activities but nothing was ever done about it.

I will however stick to your guidelines for this issue.

- (1) ASIO Operatives should be made publicly accountable for all Off-Duty subversive activities.
- (2) There should be another Federal Government Agency such as the Federal Police enforcing this issue, by randomly checking on all ASIO Operatives when they are off duty.
- (3) Each Operative should be required to identify himself or herself properly when confronting members of the public and required to sign a special time of day and date card when confronting such members of the public and hand such time card with Identification name and number and a Complaints Number to the Federal Police to the person the are confronting (so that such person has the legal right to complain about the confrontation if the see fit); not merely a Business Card that anyone could print up., as was in the news recently.
- (4) Operatives should be required to log their Off-Duty Activities as well so this can be compared to the random audit activities.
- (5) They should be held personally responsible for any serious breaches relating to covert activities, including the abusive continuous use of mentally disturbed people on an in your face confrontation approach.
- (6) Their Taxation Records and Bank Accounts should be checked regularly and compared to their incomes including their wives and company accounts, so to make sure that they are not getting any kickbacks or black money from corrupt persons.
- (7) They should be held accountable for all persecution and entrapment of innocent persons and charged accordingly for all their abusive and corrupt activities, including interference with one's person and business affairs.
- (8) The ASIO Act as it stands, has little value as it is not enforced at least publicly, and should be enforced by the Federal Police.

The Federal Police should be given more power in the public safety and public interest from the wrong doings of ASIO operatives.

(9) As it stands ASIO does what it likes and the General Public's perception of it is that they are not an accountable body.

AT THIS POINT YOU HAVE LOST YOUR DEMOCRACY

(10) The public should be made aware of their rights regarding these Operatives

by way of an intensive TV Advertising campaign because the vast majority of people are not aware as to how to deal with their complaints of this Body compared to say USA citizens who are aware of the FBI or CIA - certainly enough to deal with a confrontation.

(11) Any illegal activities on innocent citizens should be able to be dealt with by a Federal Police Hot Line which should include complaints about bugging devices

(12) Any implantation of tracking devices on an innocent person citizen or some sort of torture equipment such as a radio controlled implanted devices was the when going to the Dentist, where a person opens their mouth for oral surgery (and usually closes one's eyes) allows the risk of an implantation of such a device that could be radio controlled and abusively tortured accordingly.

Such a crime should be tried by the court in a proper manner including sleazy mind reading devices implanted at the Dentist.

(13) Any contact with sleepers should be accountable to the Federal Police.

(14) Federal Police should conduct regular audits of the off-duty and on-duty activities of the AS10 operatives.

(15) Federal Police should be made accountable separately to the Federal Government so that the ASIO Reports can be compared to the Federal Police Reports.

I also think that you are better off disbanding the ASIO Organization as it stands and deputize M16 Agents from the U.K. until a new ASIO organization could be formed with a Scotland Yard Head of a new Organization.

We all recall the problems that the NSW Police Service had prior to the appointment of Mr. Peter Ryan as Commissioner, where it became necessary to appoint a Commissioner outside Australia and from the U.K. in order to restore public creditability in the NSW Police Service.

I believe this appointment was necessary and progressive in dealing with an age old problem of creditability, in the NSW Police Service.

A further comment is that the CSIRO should also be held accountable for some of their sleazy private experiments that have in some cases have involved ASIO Agents organizing the implantation of devices in innocent citizens from the Dentist chair.

ASIO is a total disgrace., as it now exists , and totally unacceptable from their in particular off- duty activities.

Any use of code names of persons under servalence should be in a Codebook regularly reported to the Federal Police , to ensure that innocent citizens are not persecuted by ASIO Operatives.

The Federal Police should also report such codes to a Federal Government Committee to protect the Countries citizens from abusive behaviour of such Operatives.

Perhaps a Federal Police Commissioner appointed from the U.K. may be a further measure to ensure someone is responsible outside the system. Unsavoury covert or overt activities witnessed by foreign Intelligence Agencies should be reported to the Federal Police and they in turn should report such activities to a Federal Government Committee. The Public must be protected at all costs from such an abusive and sleazy organization. Another area of major concern is ASIO interference with the Mailing System .

The Postmasters of the various Post Offices around the Country should be given special reporting powers to the Federal Police when such interference occurs at their respective Post Offices.

Finally it should be remembered that several years ago there was a NSW Royal Commission into ASIO.

I also suggest that overseas comparisons are made with how the FBI and CIA report to the President and to the Congress in the USA, and how M16 and Scotland Yard reports to the Prime Minister and to The House of Commons.

I have tried to be constructive as possible despite my obvious bitterness to this so-called organization.

Should you consider my suggestions to be of any further value, I would be quite willing to comment further in my experience with unsavoury organization.

P. S. The motive for such horrific interference with my life, I believe was because I was involved with a Development Application to build a Day Ski Resort in The Yaouk Valley being the owner at the time of 177 acres of land on the border of NSW and the ACT, but 'm NSW. Cooma Shire Council approved the D.A. and then were informed by the Dept of Environment and Planning that in their opinion the Council had acted outside their authority in granting the approval. Every Legal opinion I got said that it was a very grey area. A change in the Local Environment Plan eventually rejected the change.