



Parliamentary Joint Committee on ASIO, ASIS and DSD

Inquiry into Intelligence on Iraq's Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD)

The Parliamentary Joint Committee on ASIO, ASIS and DSD has been asked by the Senate to inquire into and report on certain matters relating to information received by Australia's intelligence services on Iraq's weapons of mass destruction (WMD).

The inquiry will examine the nature and accuracy of intelligence information received by Australia's intelligence services (and the nature, accuracy and independence of assessments made by Australia's intelligence agencies of that information) in relation to the existence of, the capacity and willingness to use, and the immediacy of the threat posed by Iraq's WMD.

The inquiry will also examine whether the Commonwealth Government as a whole presented accurate and complete information to Parliament and the Australian public on these matters during, or since, the military action in Iraq, and whether Australia's pre-conflict assessments of Iraq's WMD capability were as accurate and comprehensive as should be expected of information relied on in decisions regarding the participation of the Australian Defence Forces in military conflict.

Organisations and individuals who have information that may be relevant are invited to make written submissions to the inquiry by **Friday, 8 August 2003**. Submissions should be sent by email to pjcaad@aph.gov.au or by post to:

**The Secretary
Parliamentary Joint Committee on ASIO, ASIS and DSD
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600**

Further information about the inquiry, including the full terms of reference, are available at the Committee's website at www.aph.gov.au/house/committee/pjcaad/index.htm or by phoning the Committee Secretariat on (02) 6277 2360.