



# Parliamentary review of Australia's terrorism laws

The Parliamentary Joint Committee on Intelligence and Security will meet next week with Simon Sheller, who recently reviewed Australian terrorism laws in the Sheller Report.

The Committee is conducting a review of the operation, effectiveness and implications of terrorism legislation and also the recommendations of the Sheller Report. The Attorney General tabled the Security Legislation Review Committee's report in June 2006. The Sheller Report is available at: <http://www.ag.gov.au/slrc>

Chair of that independent review committee Simon Sheller and Inspector General of Intelligence and Security Ian Carnell will appear on Monday 31 July. Professor George Williams, representatives of Muslim organisations, the Australian Federal Police, the Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions and the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission and will also appear on 31 July and 1 August 2006.

**VENUE: Committee Room 2R1 Parliament House, Canberra.**

**Monday 31 July 2006 2 pm - 4.15 pm**

- 2.00 Hon. Simon Sheller AO QC, Chair of the Security Legislation Review Committee  
Mr Ian Carnell, Inspector General of Intelligence and Security
- 2.45 Professor George Williams, Gilbert and Tobin Centre of Public Law UNSW
- 3.30 Islamic Information and Support Centre of Australia

**Tuesday 1 August 2006 9.30 am – 3.30 pm**

- 9.30 Attorney General's Department
- 10.15 Australian Federal Police
- 11.00 Director of Public Prosecution
- 11.30 Customs
- 2.00 Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission
- 2.45 Australian Muslim Civil Rights Advocacy Network

**For media comment**, contact the Chairman, **Mr David Jull, MP** on **07 5580 0355**.

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