



## POLICE INTEGRITY COMMISSION

### PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

#### OPERATION PROTEA

The Police Integrity Commission ("the Commission") is an independent statutory body. The principal functions of the Commission are to detect, investigate and prevent police misconduct.

The Commission is to hold a public hearing on **Monday 13 October 2014** at **10.00am** at the Commission's hearing room, Level 3, 111 Elizabeth Street, Sydney.

The general scope and purpose of that hearing will be to investigate:

- 1. Whether there was any police misconduct involved in the participation of any New South Wales Police Force ("NSWPF") officer in the Catholic Church Professional Standards Resource Group between 1998 and 2005; and*
- 2. Whether there was any police misconduct involved in the participation by the NSWPF in any agreement, protocol or Memorandum of Understanding (whether or not formally entered into) between the NSWPF and the Catholic Church concerning the handling of complaints of abuse committed by Catholic Church personnel or employees.*

Those persons who seek authorisation to appear or be legally represented at the abovementioned hearing should attend the Commission for the purpose of making an application at **10.00 am** on **Monday 13 October 2014**.

Persons who have information which could assist the Commission in relation to the general scope and purpose of the hearing set out above are encouraged to provide that information in writing to the Commission: by email at [contactus@pic.nsw.gov.au](mailto:contactus@pic.nsw.gov.au); by fax to (02) 9231 6799; or by post to GPO Box 3880, Sydney NSW 2001. Alternatively, information can be provided by telephone on (02) 9321 6700 or toll free on 1800 657 079.

The Commission is separate from and completely independent of the NSW Police Force. The Commission will treat all information confidentially and has powers to protect persons who provide information to it.

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