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**From:** McCartney, Ian  
**Sent:** Monday, 8 January 2024 12:52 PM  
**To:** Viellaris, Renee; Nicholls, Grant; Dametto, Stephen; Read, Nick  
**Cc:** Black, Chris  
**Subject:** RE: this was published an hour ago [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Yep, the team are following up on it.

Regards

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## ‘Take down flag!’ Bomb threat against pro-Palestinian supporter in Sydney

By [Perry Duffin](#) and [Clare Sibthorpe](#)

January 8, 2024 — 11.22am

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An explosive device has been planted on a car outside a Sydney home that was flying the Palestinian flag, triggering police to send a bomb disposal robot.

NSW Police were called to a street in Botany following reports of a “suspicious item” on a car bonnet at 2pm on Friday.

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**Subject:** s 22(1)(a)(ii) FW: Suspected IED Botany Friday 5 Jan 24 [SEC=OFFICIAL]  
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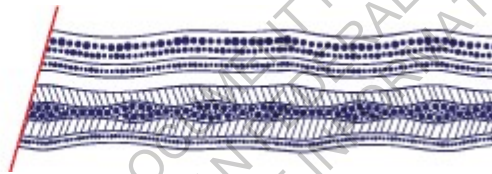
Dear AC CTSI

Please note below advice taken from NSWPF South Sydney Detectives in relation to the media piece of a bomb at pro-Palestinian residence. As indicated by NSWPF LAC the device was considered to be purposely inert and classified a public nuisance and therefore not reported further into the CT chain.

s 22(1)(a)(ii) Ensure if Larimar want this one recorded?

Kind regards  
Tom

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**To:** Hester, Thomas s 47E(d) afp.gov.au>  
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Hi Tom,

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**From:** Media  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 9 January 2024 6:22 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED] s 47E(d) Kershaw, Reece;  
Gaughan, Neil  
**Subject:** AFP National Media end of day summary - Tuesday, 9 January, 2024  
[SEC=OFFICIAL]

**OFFICIAL**

Good evening,

Please find below finalised items for AFP National Media for today, Tuesday, 9 January, 2024.

[REDACTED] s 22(1)(a)(ii)

- **Eastern Command** - [REDACTED] s 47F(1) (Independent) asked if the AFP was responding to/investigating a car bomb hoax at Botany on Friday. Referred to NSW Police Force as responding and lead agency.

[REDACTED] s 22(1)(a)(ii)

regards

[REDACTED] s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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**To:** [Barrett, Krissy](#); [REDACTED] s 47E(d)  
**Cc:** [REDACTED] s 22(1)(a)(ii)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Shoebridge Tweets re NSWPF bomb scare matter [SEC=OFFICIAL]  
**Date:** Tuesday, 13 February 2024 2:42:07 PM  
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Hi AC CTSI

Please note below advice from NSWPF in relation to the matter raised in Shoebridge tweet.

Kind regards  
Tom

Thomas Hester  
Commander CT North  
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Regards

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**Sent:** Tuesday, 13 February 2024 11:08 AM

To: Hester, Thomas <[redacted] s 47E(d) [redacted]@afp.gov.au>; [redacted] s 22(1)(a)(ii) [redacted] s 22(1)(a)(ii) [redacted]@afp.gov.au>

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**OFFICIAL**

Thanks Tom and [redacted] s 22(1)(a)(ii) [redacted]

Grateful for your earliest advice on this and please let me know where I can assist.

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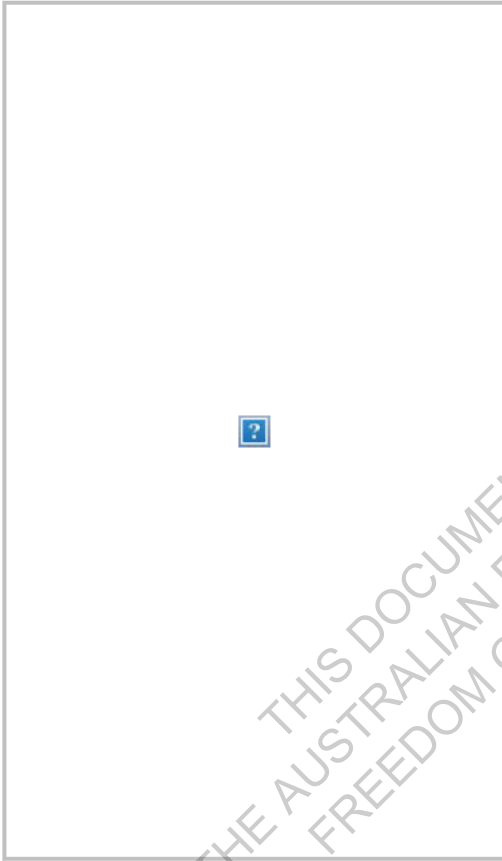
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**David Shoebridge** @DavidShoebridge · 1h  
I'll be raising this today in Estimates. It's got to be taken seriously.

**Michael West** @MichaelWes... · 18h  
Theo Sydney bomb threat victim - case given to junior officer who went on leave. "Fake bomb" said media.  
What would reac have been in media/pol...

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This is the full tweet he retweeted:

**Michael West** @MichaelWestBiz  
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What would reac have been in media/police/politics if Theo had flown Israel flag?  
#auspol inside story by @FarahAbdurahman



michaelwest.com.au  
Theo flew a Palestinian flag. First he was doxed, then came the bomb! - Michael West

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**Sent:** Tuesday, 26 March 2024 5:29 PM  
**To:** Barrett, Krissy  
**Cc:** [REDACTED] s 47E(d) Hester, Thomas  
**Subject:** FW: FOLLOW UP PHONE CALL: Planned protest action for Failure to file Terrorism charges against David Wise [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Deputy,

Please see the below narrative from JCTT NSW. We have yet to obtain the actual emails sent at the time, which I understand there may not be many. Once received will pull together for completeness. The two key assessments in yellow are wording cleared with Det/Supt [REDACTED] s 47F(1) after the arrest.

Regards

Steve

**STEPHEN NUTT**

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Dear AC CTSI

Please find below detail in relation to this matter which the AFP have visibility on.

As indicated this matter was viewed by Nswpf as falling under their OP Shelter which was setup purposely to manage items in the community linked to Israel-Hamas conflict.

Kind regards

Tom

Thomas Hester  
Commander CT North  
Counter Terrorism & Special Investigations  
[REDACTED] s 47E(d)

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**From:** [REDACTED] s 22(1)(a)(ii)@afp.gov.au>  
**Date:** 26 March 2024 at 11:10:57 AEDT  
**To:** Hester, Thomas <[REDACTED] s 47E(d)@afp.gov.au>  
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CCTN

Around 2pm on 5 January 2024, NSWPF were called to a residence in Botany after a resident found a suspicious item placed on his car in in the driveway. Officers from the NSWPF Rescue and Bomb Squad attended and deemed the item safe and the matter remained with the South Sydney Police Area Command (SS PAC) for investigation under the oversight of Operation SHELTER. **The incident was determined to be racially motivated and linked to the individual flying a Palestinian flag and therefore assessed to fall within the remit of Operation SHELTER.** s 47B

s 47B The device was clearly an inert device and therefore assessed to be for the purposes of intimidation. This matter was not referred to the JCTT at any point and as such the AFP has limited visibility of the investigation or internal decision by NSWPF as to the appropriate investigative area.

On 16 February 2024, the resident received a threatening phone call and alerted police. SS PAC identified an alleged offender and executed a NSW Search Warrant and he was subsequently charged with the following NSW and Commonwealth offences:

- Send article to cause alarm;
- Stalk/intimidate intend fear physical harm (two counts)
- Use carriage service to menace/harass/offend; and
- Enter in-closed land

The PAC sought advice from the SIU as required, there was no JCTT involvement.

#### Operation SHELTER

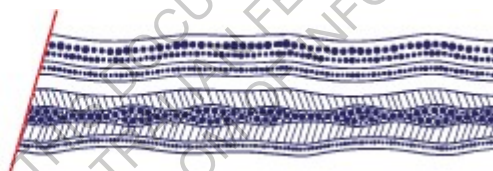
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**DETECTIVE SUPERINTENDENT** s 22(1)(a)(ii)  
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**From:** s 22(1)(a)(ii) @afp.gov.au > **On Behalf Of** Hester, Thomas  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 26 March 2024 9:25 AM  
**To** s 22(1)(a)(ii) @afp.gov.au >  
**Cc:** Hester, Thomas s 47E(d) afp.gov.au >  
**Subject:** FW: FOLLOW UP PHONE CALL: Planned protest action for Failure to file Terrorism charges against David Wise [SEC=OFFICIAL]

**OFFICIAL**

Good morning s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Please see an additional request in relation to the Wise matter. I understand this is also a NSW JCTT matter.

Can you please prepare a response obo Tom for this one? Please send back to Tom in the first instance.

Kind regards

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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**From:** Nutt, Stephen <s 47E(d) @afp.gov.au>

**Sent:** Tuesday, 26 March 2024 7:00 AM

**To:** Hester, Thomas <s 47E(d) @afp.gov.au>

**Subject:** FW: FOLLOW UP PHONE CALL: Planned protest action for Failure to file Terrorism charges against David Wise [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Tom,

Can we pull everything we have on the David wise matter including the decision to remain at the PAC and any advice on relevant advice on charges.

**STEPHEN NUTT**

Performing the duties of Assistant Commissioner  
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**From:** Barrett, Krissy <s 47E(d) afp.gov.au>

**Date:** 25 March 2024 at 9:06:26 pm AEDT

**To:** Nutt, Stephen <s 47E(d) afp.gov.au>

**Cc:** s 47E(d) @afp.gov.au>, s 47E(d)

s 47E(d) @afp.le>

**Subject:** FW: FOLLOW UP PHONE CALL: Planned protest action for Failure to file Terrorism charges against David Wise [SEC=OFFICIAL]

**OFFICIAL**

Steve – FYI

Can you please dig up for me the previous emails from NSW JCTT in relation to this matter, thanks.

Krissy

**KRISSY BARRETT APM**

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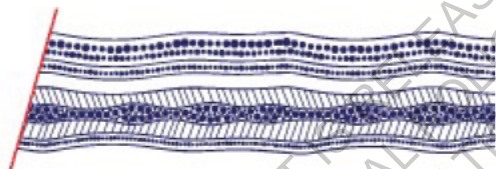
**From:** Viellaris, Renee [s 47E\(d\) @afp.gov.au](#)>  
**Sent:** Monday, 25 March 2024 4:09 PM  
**To:** [s 22\(1\)\(a\)\(ii\) @afp.gov.au](#)>; Gale, Matthew [s 47E\(d\) @afp.gov.au](#)>; McCartney, Ian [s 47E\(d\) @afp.gov.au](#)>; Barrett, Krissy [s 47E\(d\) @afp.gov.au](#)> [s 22\(1\)\(a\)\(ii\) @afp.gov.au](#)>; Office-of-the-Commissioner [s 47E\(d\) @afp.gov.au](#)>; Nutt, Stephen <[s 47E\(d\) @afp.gov.au](#)>  
**Cc:** Media <[Media@afp.gov.au](#)>; [s 22\(1\)\(a\)\(ii\) @afp.gov.au](#)>  
**Subject:** RE: FOLLOW UP PHONE CALL: Planned protest action for Failure to file Terrorism charges against David Wise [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi Matt [s 22\(1\)\(a\)\(ii\) @afp.gov.au](#) this one is not for media and one for OoC. Ian – FYI as A/Commissioner and Krissy please also see below.  
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**RENEE VIELLARIS**  
MANAGER MEDIA AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS  
CHIEF OF STAFF  
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**From:** [s 22\(1\)\(a\)\(ii\) @afp.gov.au](#)>  
**Sent:** Monday, 25 March 2024 2:52 PM  
**To:** Gale, Matthew [s 47E\(d\) @afp.gov.au](#)>; Viellaris, Renee [s 47E\(d\) @afp.gov.au](#)>  
**Cc:** Media <[Media@afp.gov.au](#)>; [s 22\(1\)\(a\)\(ii\) @afp.gov.au](#)>  
**Subject:** FOLLOW UP PHONE CALL: Planned protest action for Failure to file Terrorism charges against David Wise [SEC=OFFICIAL]

**OFFICIAL**

Hi RV and Matt,

**For awareness/actioning as needed:** [s 47F\(1\)](#)  
[s 47F\(1\)](#)

Thanks  
[s 22\(1\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#)

[s 47B, s 47F\(1\)](#)

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**From:** s 22(1)(a)(ii)  
**To:** Nutt, Stephen  
**Subject:** FW: NSW Police Update re device place on car in January [SEC=OFFICIAL]  
**Date:** Tuesday, 26 March 2024 5:46:11 PM  
**Attachments:** image003.jpg  
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This was the email chain where we were notified of the arrest.

This is all the correspondence I have had with NSWPF regarding this matter.

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**From:** s 22(1)(a)(ii) <[redacted]@afp.gov.au>  
**Date:** 8 March 2024 at 9:42:00 AM AEDT  
**To:** s 47E(d) <[redacted]@afp.gov.au>, Hester, Thomas  
<[redacted]@afp.gov.au>  
**Subject:** FW: NSW Police Update re device place on car in January [SEC=OFFICIAL]

**OFFICIAL**

Good morning

Further information received from NSWPF

The arrest was made after the victim received a threatening phone call on 16 February. Police obtained a search warrant for the caller and as a result of that search warrant, sufficient evidence was obtained to charge the male in relation to placing the item on the vehicle

The male has been charged with the following offences

- Send article to cause alarm;
- Stalk/intimidate intend fear physical harm (two counts)
- Use carriage service to menace/harass/offend; and
- Enter in-closed land

There was no JCTT involvement in this matter

Regards

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**From** s 22(1)(a)(ii) <[redacted]@afp.gov.au>  
**Sent:** Friday, 8 March 2024 9:17 AM  
[redacted] s 22(1)(a)(ii) <[redacted]@afp.gov.au>; [redacted] s 22(1)(a)(ii) <[redacted]@afp.gov.au>;  
[redacted] s 22(1)(a)(ii) <[redacted]@afp.gov.au>; [redacted] s 22(1)(a)(ii) <[redacted]@afp.gov.au>; [redacted] s 47E(d) <[redacted]@afp.gov.au>  
**Cc:** [redacted] s 47E(d) <[redacted]@afp.gov.au>; [redacted] s 47E(d) <[redacted]@afp.gov.au>; [redacted] s 22(1)(a)(ii) <[redacted]@afp.gov.au>; [redacted] s 22(1)(a)(ii) <[redacted]@afp.gov.au>; [redacted] s 22(1)(a)(ii) <[redacted]@afp.gov.au>

**Subject:** RE: NSW Police Update re device place on car in January [SEC=OFFICIAL]

**OFFICIAL**

Good morning everyone,



Some further reporting from NSWPOL after the arrest yesterday in Sydney

NSW Police have charged a man following investigations into a suspicious item and alleged threatening phone call to a man in Botany  
Around 2pm on Friday 5 January 2024, police were called to Daphne Street, Botany, after a resident found a suspicious item placed on his car

Officers from the Rescue and Bomb Squad attended and deemed the item safe. Detectives from South Sydney Police Area Command established a crime scene

On 16 February 2024, the resident received an alleged threatening phone call. He alerted police and an investigation commenced.  
Following extensive inquiries, police executed a search warrant at a home in Botany this morning (Thursday 7 March 2024) and a number of items were seized

A 44-year-old man was arrested at the home and taken to Mascot Police Station where he has been charged with

- Send article to cause alarm;
- Stalk/intimidate intend fear physical harm (two counts)
- Use carriage service to menace/harass/offend; and
- Enter in-closed land

The man was bail refused and due to appear via AVL at Downing Centre Local Court today (Thursday 7 March 2024)

Kind regards

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Writing to you from the land of the Gadigal peoples of the Eora Nation  
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**From:** s 22(1)(a)(ii) @afp.gov.au>

**Date:** 7 March 2024 at 3:00:50 pm AEDT

**To:** s 22(1)(a)(ii) @afp.gov.au> s 22(1)(a)(ii) @afp.gov.au>, s 22(1)(a)(ii) afp.gov.au>, s 47E(d)

s 47E(d) @afp.gov.au>

**Cc:** s 47E(d) afp.gov.au>, s 47E(d) @afp.gov.au>, s 22(1)(a)(ii) @afp.gov.au>

**Subject:** NSW Police Update re device place on car in January [SEC=OFFICIAL]

**OFFICIAL**

Good afternoon everyone,

For your information we have received an update from NSWPOL Engagement and Hate Crime unit regarding a device place on car back in January 2024

Today NSW Police detectives from Mascot have charged someone in relation to the offence. The person was refused bail and will be appearing in court this afternoon

s 47B

Kind regards

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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**From** [REDACTED] s 47F(1)

**Sent:** Thursday, 7 March 2024 2:39 PM

**To:** [REDACTED] s 47F(1) s 22(1)(a)(ii) @afp.gov.au

[REDACTED] s 22(1)(a)(ii)

**Subject:** Update re device place on car in January [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Gents,

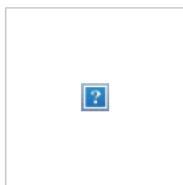
[REDACTED] s 47B

FYI, today detectives from Mascot have charged someone in relation to the offence. The person was refused bail and will be appearing in court this afternoon.

I suspect there will be media attention. The Police media unit are aware and have a holding statement prepared.

If you need anything on this please give me a call.

s 47F(1)



**Chief Inspector** [REDACTED] s 47F(1)  
**Officer in Charge**  
**Engagement & Hate Crime Unit**  
**Counter Terrorism & Special Tactics Command**  
**Locked Bag 5102 Parramatta NSW 2150**

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[REDACTED] s 47F(1)

**From:** s 22(1)(a)(ii)  
**To:** [Nutt, Stephen](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Assistance for Senate Estimates [SEC=UNOFFICIAL]  
**Date:** Tuesday, 26 March 2024 5:30:13 PM  
**Attachments:** [image003.jpg](#)  
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Hi Steve

As discussed emails with s 47F(1) regarding the matter. This was the first discussion we had with NSWPF regarding the incident

Regards

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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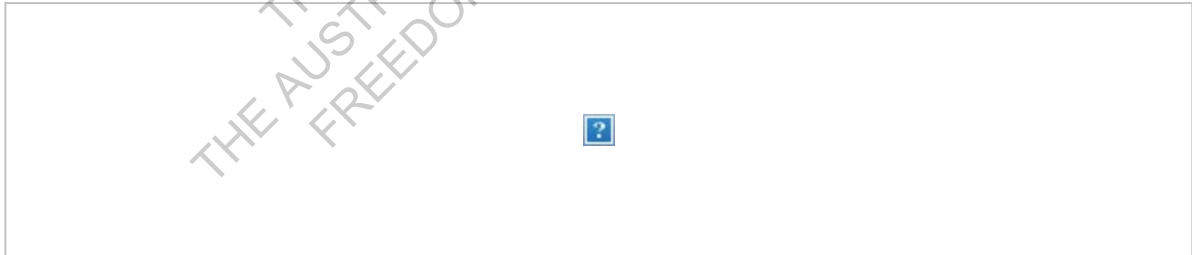
**From:** s 47F(1) police.nsw.alein>  
**Date:** 13 February 2024 at 1:24:18 PM AEDT  
**To:** s 22(1)(a)(ii) afp.alein>  
**Subject:** RE: Assistance for Senate Estimates [SEC=UNOFFICIAL]

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Paragraph 2 is incorrect s 47B

No issues with the initial paragraph.

s 47B



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**From:** s 22(1)(a)(ii) afp.alein>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 13 February 2024 12:48 PM  
**To:** M s 47F(1) @police.nsw.alein>  
**Subject:** RE: Assistance for Senate Estimates [SEC=UNOFFICIAL]

**UNOFFICIAL**

Hi s 47F(1)

Thanks for your time on the phone.

Are you happy with the proposed response?

NSWPF stood up Operation Shelter for the purposes of investigating and responding to incidents in NSW that were related to the conflict in Israel and Gaza. The incident in Botany was determined to be racially motivated and linked to the individual flying a Palestinian flag and therefore assessed to fall within the remit of Operation Shelter.

s 47B

Regards

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**From:** s 22(1)(a)(ii)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 13 February 2024 11:31 AM  
**To:** s 47F(1) @police.nsw.aiein>  
**Subject:** Assistance for Senate Estimates [SEC=UNOFFICIAL]

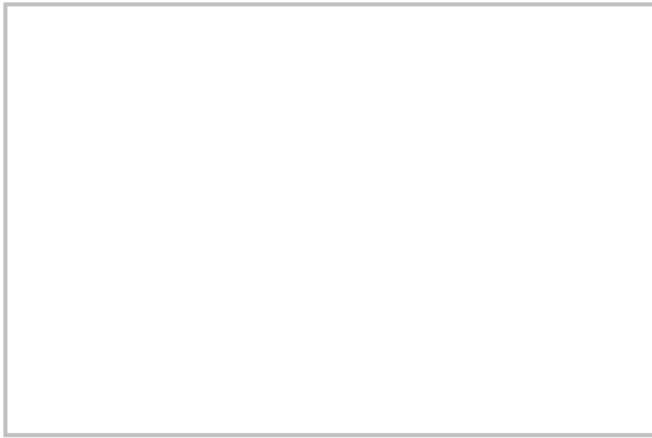
**UNOFFICIAL**

His 47F(1)

The AFP is appearing at Senate Estimates tonight. Senator Shoebridge has advised that he will be asking questions in relation to the media article

<https://michaelwest.com.au/sydney-bomb-threat-victim-waits-for-justice/#~:text=Theo%2C%20a%20fourth%20generation%20white,Palestinian%20flag%20I%20was%20targeted>

In summary, it is the incident at a residence in Botany that was flying a Palestinian flag. A device was placed on the bonnet of a vehicle at the premises. I understand that this was investigated by the South Sydney PAC, although the article mentions it was eventually referred to the Counter Terrorism Command. Are you able to assist with providing some background for a briefing for Deputy McCartney on this matter. I'm thinking of drafting more around why NSWPF is the appropriate response agency and it falls outside the remit of the JCTT. But before I proceed are you able to advise of if this matter did end up in TIS or TIU for assessment and if so, any assessment as to why the matter fell outside the JCTT?



Thanks

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s 22(1)(a)(ii)

**From:** s 22(1)(a)(ii)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 27 March 2024 3:02 PM  
**To:** Hester, Thomas  
**Cc:** s 47E(d)  
**Subject:** FW: Email to AFP and NSWPF re Botany Incident [SEC=OFFICIAL:Sensitive]

Good afternoon Tom,

s 47F(1)

s 47F(1)  
s 47B

s 47F(1)

Regards

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**From:** s 47F(1) @police.nsw.alein>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 27 March 2024 2:38 PM  
**To:** s 22(1)(a)(ii) @afp.alein>  
**Subject:** RE: Email to AFP and NSWPF re Botany Incident [SEC=OFFICIAL:Sensitive]

Hello s 22(1)(a)(ii)

I have made some inquiries and have been advised that Supt. s 47F(1) Commander of Operation Shelter contacted

s 47F(1), s 47B

Hopefully this assists Ma'am Barrett.  
Let me know if you need anything else.  
Kind regards

s 47F(1)



s 47F(1)

**APM**

**Detective Superintendent**  
**Commander, Terrorism Investigations Squad**  
**Joint Counter Terrorism Team – Sydney Office**  
**Counter Terrorism & Special Tactics**

**E:** s 47F(1)

**From:** s 22(1)(a)(ii) @afp.alein>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 27, 2024 10:30 AM

To: [redacted] s 47F(1) @police.nsw.alein>  
Subject: Email to AFP and NSWPF re Botany Incident [SEC=OFFICIAL:Sensitive]

**OFFICIAL: Sensitive**

Good morning [redacted] s 47F

Last Friday [redacted] s 47F(1) sent the below email addressed to the AFP and NSWPF Commissioners requesting a face-to-face meeting to discuss the charges laid in relation to the matter involving a device at Daphne Street Botany in January.

Acting Deputy Commissioner National Security, Krissy Barrett is considering whether the AFP provides a response to this email. We acknowledge that this is a NSWPF investigation and it was never before the JCTT for consideration. In order to assist the AFP in determining if/how to respond to this matter, would you be able to advise whether NSWPF intends to provide a reply to this correspondence?

Kind regards

**DETECTIVE SUPERINTENDENT** [redacted] s 22(1)(a)(ii)  
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s 22(1)(a)(ii)

**From:** Hester, Thomas  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 27 March 2024 8:26 AM  
**To:** s 22(1)(a)(ii)  
**Cc:** s 47E(d) s 22(1)(a)(ii) s 47E(d)  
**Subject:** FW: NSWPF Op Shelter - Botany incident [SEC=OFFICIAL:Sensitive]  
**Attachments:** Suspected IED Botany Friday 5 Jan 24 [SEC=OFFICIAL]; FW: Suspected IED Botany Friday 5 Jan 24 [SEC=OFFICIAL]; Fwd: Shoebridge Tweets re NSWP bomb scare matter [SEC=OFFICIAL]; FW: NSW Police Update re device place on car in January [SEC=OFFICIAL]; Fwd: Assistance for Senate Estimates [SEC=UNOFFICIAL]

**OFFICIAL: Sensitive**

Good morning s 22(1)(a)(ii) and s 22(1)(a)(ii)

In relation to the correspondence sent to the Commissioner's Office regarding the Botany incident from early this year. The attached items summarise out engagement and information about the matter which has been briefed to DCNS. She is seeking a potential reply from the agency to this s 47F(1)

However can we please determine the following:

- 1) What do we know about the author of this correspondence? Is he someone the agency should engage with? s 22(1)(a)(ii) can you please find out what you can about him and check with partners too please and advise.
- 2) Can we reach into NSWPF to determine what their intention is regarding a reply to this correspondence as they have received the same letter? s 22(1)(a)(ii) is it possible to reach into s 47F in his new role of CoS?

Once we achieve these two items Steve and I can work with DCNS office on a reply or engagement/

Much appreciated  
Tom

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**From:** Nutt, Stephen [s 47E(d)] <[s 47E(d)]@afp.gov.au>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 27, 2024 8:08 AM  
**To:** Barrett, Krissy [s 47E(d)] <[s 47E(d)]@afp.gov.au>  
**Cc:** [s 47E(d)] <[s 47E(d)]@afp.le>; Hester, Thomas <[s 47E(d)]@afp.gov.au>; [s 47E(d)] <[s 47E(d)]@afp.gov.au>  
**Subject:** FW: NSWPF Op Shelter - Botany incident [SEC=OFFICIAL:Sensitive]

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DCNS,

We will draft a letter of response. As requested please see the available emails relating to this matter. I have summarised key advice in each below.

8 January 2024 email advice from [s 22(1)(a)(ii)] –

**Key advice** - JCTT NSW were not notified of this incident nor were the NSWPF Terrorism & Security Intelligence Unit. South Sydney NSWPF Detectives labelled the incident as a public nuisance matter and reported the incident to Op Shelter. No further notifications occurred. Media – note this morning (Monday 8Jan24) JCTT NSW received an enquiry from AFP media regarding the incident. AFP Media were initially informed that JCTT NSW had no knowledge of the matter however were subsequently informed that the matter was handled by the NSW Police Detectives from the South Sydney PAC.

13 February 2024 - email advice from [s 22(1)(a)(ii)] with advice from NSWPF [s 47F]

**Key Advice** - NSWPF stood up Operation Shelter for the purposes of investigating and responding to incidents in NSW that were related to the conflict in Israel and Gaza. The incident in Botany was determined to be racially motivated and linked to the individual flying a Palestinian flag and therefore assessed to fall within the remit of Operation Shelter. This matter was deemed to be an intimidation offence as the device was clearly an inert device.

7&8 March 2024 – email advice from [s 22(1)(a)(ii)]

**Key Advice** – 7 Mar NSW Police detectives from Mascot have charged someone in relation to the offence. 8 Mar NSW Police have charged a man following investigations into a suspicious item and alleged threatening phone call to a man in Botany. There was no JCTT involvement in this matter.

Regards

Steve

**STEPHEN NUTT**  
PERFORMING THE DUTIES OF ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER  
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**Sent:** Tuesday, 26 March 2024 5:24 PM  
**To:** Nutt, Stephen [s 47E(d)] <[s 47E(d)]@afp.gov.au>  
**Subject:** NSWPF Op Shelter - Botany incident [SEC=OFFICIAL:Sensitive]

**OFFICIAL: Sensitive**

Dear AC CTSI

Please note below in relation to email traffic on this matter and our initial reporting.

If I can uncover anything further I'll update you.

Regards

Tom

**THOMAS HESTER**  
COMMANDER CT NORTH  
COUNTER TERRORISM & SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS COMMAND  
Tel: +61 (0)2 [REDACTED] s 47E(d)



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**Subject:** FW: NSW Police Update re device place on car in January [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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This is all the correspondence I have had with NSWPF regarding this matter.

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**From:** s 22(1)(a)(ii) @afp.gov.au>  
**Date:** 8 March 2024 at 9:42:00 AM AEDT  
**To:** s 47E(d) @afp.gov.au>, Hester, Thomas  
<s 47E(d)@afp.gov.au>  
**Subject:** FW: NSW Police Update re device place on car in January [SEC=OFFICIAL]

**OFFICIAL**

Good morning

Further information received from NSWPF.

The arrest was made after the victim received a threatening phone call on 16 February. Police obtained a search warrant for the caller and as a result of that search warrant, sufficient evidence was obtained to charge the male in relation to placing the item on the vehicle.

The male has been charged with the following offences:

- Send article to cause alarm;
- Stalk/intimidate intend fear physical harm (two counts)
- Use carriage service to menace/harass/offend; and
- Enter in-closed land.

There was no JCTT involvement in this matter.

Regards

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Subject: RE: NSW Police Update re device place on car in January [SEC=OFFICIAL]

**OFFICIAL**

Good morning everyone,

Some further reporting from NSWPOL after the arrest yesterday in Sydney.

NSW Police have charged a man following investigations into a suspicious item and alleged threatening phone call to a man in Botany.

Around 2pm on Friday 5 January 2024, police were called to Daphne Street, Botany, after a resident found a suspicious item placed on his car.

Officers from the Rescue and Bomb Squad attended and deemed the item safe. Detectives from South Sydney Police Area Command established a crime scene.

On 16 February 2024, the resident received an alleged threatening phone call. He alerted police and an investigation commenced.

Following extensive inquiries, police executed a search warrant at a home in Botany this morning (Thursday 7 March 2024) and a number of items were seized.

A 44-year-old man was arrested at the home and taken to Mascot Police Station where he has been charged with:

- Send article to cause alarm;
- Stalk/intimidate intend fear physical harm (two counts)
- Use carriage service to menace/harass/offend; and
- Enter in-closed land.

The man was bail refused and due to appear via AVL at Downing Centre Local Court today (Thursday 7 March 2024).

Kind regards

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Subject: NSW Police Update re device place on car in January [SEC=OFFICIAL]

**OFFICIAL**

Good afternoon everyone,

For your information we have received an update from NSWPOL Engagement and Hate Crime unit regarding a device place on car back in January 2024.

Today NSW Police detectives from Mascot have charged someone in relation to the offence. The person was refused bail and will be appearing in court this afternoon.

CLT NSW will monitor any responses from either side of community.

Kind regards

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Subject: Update re device place on car in January [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Gents,

s 47B

FYI, today detectives from Mascot have charged someone in relation to the offence. The person was refused bail and will be appearing in court this afternoon.

I suspect there will be media attention. The Police media unit are aware and have a holding statement prepared.

If you need anything on this please give me a call.

s 47F(1)



**Chief Inspector** [REDACTED] s 47F(1)  
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**To:** Nutt, Stephen  
**Subject:** Fwd: Assistance for Senate Estimates [SEC=UNOFFICIAL]

Hi Steve

As discussed emails with s 47F(1) regarding the matter. This was the first discussion we had with NSWPF regarding the incident

Regards

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**From:** s 47F(1) @police.nsw.alein>  
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**Subject:** RE: Assistance for Senate Estimates [SEC=UNOFFICIAL]

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Paragraph 2 is incorrect. s 47B

No issues with the initial paragraph.

s 47B

Matter was not referred to CTST.



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**To:** s 47F(1) @police.nsw.alein>  
**Subject:** RE: Assistance for Senate Estimates [SEC=UNOFFICIAL]

**UNOFFICIAL**

Hi s 47F(1)

Thanks for your time on the phone.

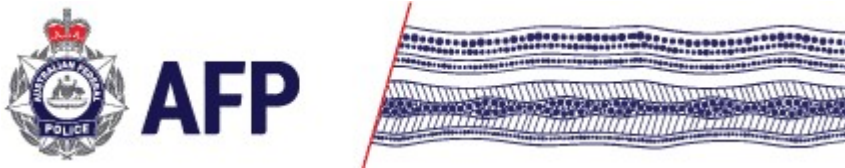
Are you happy with the proposed response?

NSWPF stood up Operation Shelter for the purposes of investigating and responding to incidents in NSW that were related to the conflict in Israel and Gaza. The incident in Botany was determined to be racially motivated and linked to the individual flying a Palestinian flag and therefore assessed to fall within the remit of Operation Shelter.

s 47B

Regards

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**From:** s 22(1)(a)(ii)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 13 February 2024 11:31 AM  
**To:** s 47F(1)  
**Subject:** Assistance for Senate Estimates [SEC=UNOFFICIAL]

**UNOFFICIAL**

Hi s 47F(1)

The AFP is appearing at Senate Estimates tonight. Senator Shoebridge has advised that he will be asking questions in relation to the media article.

<https://michaelwest.com.au/sydney-bomb-threat-victim-waits-for-justice/#:~:text=Theo%2C%20a%20fourth%20generation%20white,Palestinian%20flag%20I%20was%20targeted>

In summary, it is the incident at a residence in Botany that was flying a Palestinian flag. A device was placed on the bonnet of a vehicle at the premises. I understand that this was investigated by the South Sydney PAC, although the article mentions it was eventually referred to the Counter Terrorism Command. Are you able to assist with providing some background for a briefing for Deputy McCartney on this matter. I'm thinking of drafting more around why NSWPF is the appropriate response agency and it falls outside the remit of the JCTT. But before I proceed are you able to advise of if this matter did end up in TIS or TIU for assessment and if so, any assessment as to why the matter fell outside the JCTT?



Thanks

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