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s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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In relation to the query below, we have received advice from the NOSCC that a complaint was received at 9.38am today. (Advice in attached email) It has yet to be investigated/assessed because it only just came in.

s 47C(1)

"The AFP has no comment."

Seeking your approval and happy to discuss.

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Thanks for this.

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[s 47C\(1\)](#)

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Background Information:

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Response:

For consideration whether media should provide a no comment response to the Rebel News enquiry. The complainant in the Report of Crime appears to be the same person as the media reporter from Rebel News.

A response to this enquiry is being sought by **3pm today**.

Regards

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Hi Avi,

Sorry for the delay. The below is a response you can attribute to an AFP spokesperson.

- The AFP has no comment.

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Nathan.

From: Avi Yemini <avi@rebelnews.com>
Sent: Thursday, 20 March 2025 12:26 PM
To: Media <Media@afp.gov.au>
Subject: Media Request: AFP Investigation into eSafety Commissioner's WhatsApp Practices – Deadline 4:30 PM, March 20, 2025

Hi,

This is a media request for comment regarding a federal police complaint reported online at 9:38 AM on March 20, 2025 (Submission ID: 282714), concerning eSafety Commissioner Julie Inman Grant's use of WhatsApp's "disappearing messages" feature.

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process?

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Kind regards,
Avi Yemini



Let's connect on socials!



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From: Media
Sent: Thursday, 20 March 2025 4:32 PM
To: s 47E(d) NOSSC-CANBERRA
Subject: RE: Advice needed on media enquiry [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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His s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Thanks for this.

Cheers,
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From: s 22(1)(a)(ii) @afp.gov.au>
Sent: Thursday, 20 March 2025 3:23 PM
To: NOSSC-CANBERRA <NOSSC-CANBERRA@afp.gov.au>; s 47E(d) afp.gov.au>;
Media <Media@afp.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Advice needed on media enquiry [SEC=OFFICIAL]

OFFICIAL

Good afternoon s 22(1)(a)(ii) and s 22(1)(a)(ii) (Media)

Given the matter was referred to the AFP at 09:38hrs today, there is not adequate information to form a clear view on this matter.

The Media enquiry is asking leading question regarding person opinion and trying to draw the inference the AFP gives special treatment to certain people in investigations.

Can I please suggest the following:

"The AFP is aware of a referral referenced in your enquiry. Referrals into the agency are carefully considered inline with our Operational Prioritisation Model. This referral is being evaluated and the AFP will not comment on operational matters."

Cheers,

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DETECTIVE A/INSPECTOR s 22(1)(a)(ii)
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Tel: +61 (0)2 s 22(1)(a)(ii)



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From: NOSSC-CANBERRA <NOSSC-CANBERRA@afp.gov.au>
Sent: Thursday, 20 March 2025 2:57 PM

To: [REDACTED] s 22(1)(a)(ii) <[REDACTED]@afp.gov.au>
Cc: NOSSC-CANBERRA <NOSSC-CANBERRA@afp.gov.au>
Subject: FW: Advice needed on media enquiry [SEC=OFFICIAL]

OFFICIAL

Good afternoon NOSSC Inspectors,

See below enquiry from Rebel News to AFP media team.

Background Information:

Report of crime #282714 was received by NOSSC Canberra today at 9:38am. This report has not yet been investigated by the team due to only receiving today. We are not in a position to provide a response to the questions asked.

Response:

For consideration whether media should provide a no comment response to the Rebel News enquiry. The complainant in the Report of Crime appears to be the same person as the media reporter from Rebel News.

A response to this enquiry is being sought by **3pm today**.

Regards

[REDACTED] s 22(1)(a)(ii)
A/TEAM LEADER
NOSSC CANBERRA
INTELLIGENCE & COVERT SERVICES
Tel: +61 (0)2 [REDACTED] s 22(1)(a)(ii)



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Cc: Media <Media@afp.gov.au>
Subject: FW: Advice needed on media enquiry [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Good afternoon,

Can you please review the below request and provide assistance and/or advice on which team would be best suited to assist.

Kind regards,

PS SGT [REDACTED] s 22(1)(a)(ii)
NATIONAL OPERATIONS STATE SERVICE CENTRE
INTELLIGENCE & COVERT SERVICES
Tel: +61 (0)2 [REDACTED] s 22(1)(a)(ii)



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To: NOSSC <NOSSC@afp.gov.au>
Cc: Media <Media@afp.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Advice needed on media enquiry [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hi s 22(1)(a)(ii)

I think I might have used the wrong word – I think it's a report of crime made to the AFP against the eSafety Commissioner.

Happy to discuss.

Cheers,

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Hi s 22(1)(a)(ii)

If the matter relates to a complaint I would suggest reaching out to the Workplace Issues and Complaints Resolution (WICR) team s 47E(d) [@afp.gov.au](mailto:s 47E(d)@afp.gov.au) or depending on the nature of the complaint - Professional Standards [s 47E\(d\)@afp.gov.au](mailto:s 47E(d)@afp.gov.au)

Best regards,

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Hi team,

We've had the below media request from an online outlet named Rebel News, regarding a complaint made to the AFP (they have given us a submission ID of s 47E(d)).

Apologies for not knowing how this works, but is that number genuine? Did it come through the Report a Commonwealth Crime Portal? And if it did, can we confirm what is being done with the complaint, and which AFP Command is dealing with it?

Would it be possible to get this information by 3pm today?

For your information, we strongly suspect the person asking us the questions below is also the person who says they lodged a complaint.

Happy to discuss or clarify.

Kind regards,

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**REBEL
NEWS**

From: do-not-reply@afp.gov.au
Sent: Thursday, 20 March 2025 9:39 AM
To: NOSSC-CANBERRA
Subject: Report a Commonwealth crime - form submission ID #282714 (ACT)

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Flagged

 The following details were submitted via the AFP's online forms platform (forms.afp.gov.au):

Form Information

Site Name : AFP
 Site Id : 71
 Folder Name : Online forms
 Folder Id : 93
 Page Custom Form Name : Report a Commonwealth crime Page Custom Form Id : 139714 Url :
https://forms.afp.gov.au/online_forms/report-commonwealth-crime
 Submission Id : 282714
 Submission Time : 20 Mar 2025 9:38 am
 Submission IP Address : 167.179.142.171

Which Commonwealth crime would you like to report? : Cybercrime committed against Commonwealth Government departments or information systems of national significance Details of the crime : At around 3:20 PM on March 18, I sent a media request via WhatsApp to eSafety Commissioner Julie Inman Grant, noting that the federal public servant had enabled "disappearing messages" on the app. I captured a screenshot of the chat, which displayed the notice: "New messages will disappear from this chat 24 hours after they're sent, except when kept." The Commissioner did not "keep" my message, which pertained to government business, and it was deleted 24 hours later. After seeking legal advice, I learned that public servants, including the eSafety Commissioner, are obligated to retain WhatsApp messages related to government activities. Under Section 24(1) of the Archives Act, destroying a Commonwealth record is an offense. The National Archives of Australia (NAA) guidance further clarifies that social media and instant messaging content—such as posts, messages, and comments—created or received during Australian Government business constitute Commonwealth records (see NAA: <https://www.naa.gov.au/information-management/managing-information-assets/types-information/managing-social-media-and-instant-messaging-im>). User Agent : Mozilla/5.0 (Macintosh; Intel Mac OS X 10_15_7) AppleWebKit/605.1.15 (KHTML, like Gecko) Version/17.6 Safari/605.1.15 IP / Port number : 167.179.142.171 / Do you require a response? : Yes - I want to have my report assessed by the AFP.

**** Acceptance of AFP's Privacy Statement ****

Privacy Statement Acceptance : Yes, I understand and accept the AFP's Privacy Statement

**** Your contact details ****

Surname : Yemini
 Given names : Avraham
 Date of birth : s 47F(1)
 Email address : avi@rebelnews.com
 Confirm email address : avi@rebelnews.com Phone number : s 47F(1) Postal address :
 State/Territory where the crime was committed? : ACT Report Type Selected : a Commonwealth crime

**** Offenders details ****

Surname : Inman Grant

Given names : Julie

Date of birth :

Email address :

Phone number : s 47F(1)

Postal address :

Report Type Selected : a Commonwealth crime

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20/03/2025

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NOSCC - Avi Yemini (Rebel News) asked if the AFP had received a report of crime (thought to be filed by Yemini himself this morning) claiming that eSafety Commissioner Julie Inman-Grant had violated laws on archiving Commonwealth communications by setting her WhatsApp to delete messages after 24hrs. Response provided stating the AFP has no comment. Reporting expected online this evening.

ENQUIRY NUMBER:
1- Avi Yemini (Rebel News)
This number needs to increase as enquiries do.

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New Task "NOSCC - Avi Yemini query on Julie Inman-Grant and disappearing WhatsApp messages"

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Better Practice Guide on AFP Managed Mobile Devices & Social Media

Date of initial endorsement:	14 August 2024
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6.2. AFP usage of messaging applications

- Any official information shared on these platforms is to be rated no higher than **OFFICIAL**, unless specified below.

- Any decisions made on these platforms **must also** be recorded into AFP ICT systems (exception of AFP Teams), i.e. PROMIS or Outlook, refer to [National Guideline information management](#).
- AFP Microsoft Teams is approved for use up to **PROTECTED**.
- Apple Messages and Signal are approved for use no higher than **OFFICIAL**.
- For a complete list of approved and unapproved apps see, [AFP iPhone Apps](#).

Note: when considering the installation of any application users should be aware of:

- Security considerations such as data privacy and application access requirements, and
- Business need or reasonable personal use restrictions for the application on an enterprise mobile.
- If any formal decision making of an official nature is made on messaging applications, a copy must be made to an official AFP system for recordkeeping purposes. The use of disappearing messages is prohibited.

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