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Subject: RE: For advice: media inquiry [DLM=Sensitive]
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Hi s. 47E(c)
 Thank you for your time on the phone. As discussed, and in line with agreed procedures, s. 47E(c), s. 47E(d)

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Kind Regards,
 s. 47E(c)

Senior Director | Detention Contracts Management Unit
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Subject: Re: For advice: media inquiry [DLM=For-Official-Use-Only]

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Hi s. 47E(c) - can you assist as you have been managing this issue today.

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Hi s. 47E(c)

A contact at the Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity (ACLEI) has advised us that ACLEI received the below enquiry from a journalist s. 47F(1) about an alleged incident in Yongah Hill IDC yesterday. The email to ACLEI advises that 'Serco staff at the centre were intercepted bringing in drugs and other contraband yesterday'. This incident would potentially engage mandatory reporting obligations if staff involved are Immigration and Border Protection workers. Integrity and Professional Standards hasn't been advised of any incident either by Serco or ABF at this stage. My team will contact Serco's Integrity team to follow up. Appreciate if you can advise if your Command has been made aware of any incident at YHIDC and can follow up with Serco locally.

Kind regards

s. 47E(c)

Assistant Secretary

Integrity and Professional Standards | Integrity Security & Assurance Division

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Hi s. 47E(c)

Nice speaking with you. Please see the message we received below FYI.

Regards

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From: "ACLEI Contact" <Contact@aclei.gov.au>

Date: Tuesday, 21 July 2020 at 4:25:24 pm

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From: s. 47F(1) [mailto:s. 47F(1)]

Sent: Tuesday, 21 July 2020 4:14 PM

To: ACLEI Contact <Contact@aclei.gov.au>

Subject: media inquiry

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Good afternoon,

I am a journalist and I am reporting on a story regarding the Yongah Hill Immigration Detention Centre in Perth. I have been told that Serco staff at the centre were intercepted bringing in drugs and other contraband yesterday and I am trying to establish who is investigating this and if it has been reported to Police.

I am not seeking any details that identify the staff.

I have asked Australian Border Force for comment and the WA police. ABF have directed me to the WA Police and the WA Police have directed me to ABF.

Any help you can provide would be most appreciated,

Thank you,

s. 47F(1)

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Australian Mobile: s. 47F(1)

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MEDIA ENQUIRY

Subject: Drugs being brought into Yongah Hill IDC		
Deadline: 1000hrs today Tuesday 21 July 2020		
Journalist: s. 47F(1)	Outlet: SBS News	
Phone:	Mobile:	Email: s. 47F(1)
Enquiry Received (Time & Date): 0824hrs Monday 20 July 2020		
Media Officer: s. 47E(c)	Media Ph: 02 6264 2211	

QUESTION / ISSUE

I am a freelance journalist reporting for SBS. My questions relate to staff at Yongah Hill Detention Centre who have been suspended this week after having been caught bringing in drugs and/or other illicit items to the detention centre.

1. Could ABF please provide comment on if staff have suspended from work in the last two days at Yongah Hill Detention Centre ?
2. Could ABF explain what has happened regarding the staff's employment and if they have had their contracts suspended or terminated?
3. Could ABF explain what the policy is regarding staff or contractors in the detention network who are found to bringing in illicit and/or illegal items?
4. Could ABF confirm if it was two female staff including one who was employed as a recreational officer?
5. Could ABF please provide comment on if Police have been notified regarding this incident ?

RESPONSE **UNCLASSIFIED**

- All personnel working in immigration detention facilities must abide by a code of conduct.
- Allegations of staff misconduct are investigated and any cases that may involve criminal, corrupt and/or serious misconduct are referred to Police, or to the Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity (ACLEI)
- The Department does not comment on cases under investigation.

BACKGROUND (**not** for public release)

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and the subject of media enquiry today.

Regards

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FYI – I will be following up with s. 47E(c)

Regards

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Superintendent Detention Operations WA
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