



The Police Ministers Council was held virtually on 23 November 2023. The meeting was chaired by the Hon Mark Dreyfus KC MP, Commonwealth Attorney-General. All jurisdictions, except New Zealand, were represented.

NATIONAL FIREARMS REGISTER

Participants reaffirmed their commitment to the National Firearms Register.

CYBERCRIME

Participants:

- (a) **acknowledged** the ongoing harm to the Australian public caused by cybercrime, and noted the increased impact cybercrime has on the Australian community.
- (b) **discussed** opportunities for jurisdictions to engage cooperatively to prevent, disrupt, and respond to cybercrime in all its forms.

CLOSING THE GAP

Participants:

- (a) **noted** the Justice Policy Partnership Strategic Framework and its strategic initiatives and the critical role of Police Ministers in achieving its goals and initiatives.
- (b) **provided** updates on the action being undertaken within their jurisdiction to achieve Targets 10 and 11 to reduce the rates of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander adult and youth incarceration.
- (c) **noted** the release of the national real-time deaths in custody dashboard on 21 June 2023.

FAMILY, DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE MATTERS

Participants:

- (a) **noted** the range of law enforcement related initiatives being progressed through the Standing Council of Attorneys-General and Australia New Zealand Policing Advisory Agency to improve responses to family, domestic and sexual violence matters.

INTER-GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE ON THE AUSTRALIAN CRIME

COMMISSION: ACC ACT SECTION 12 DISCLOSURES & ACIC DETERMINATIONS

Police Ministers, in their capacity as the Inter-Governmental Committee on the ACC, noted the update from the Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission (ACIC) on ACIC determinations.

DEVELOPMENT OF AN INTIMATE PARTNER HOMICIDE DASHBOARD

Participants:

- (a) **noted** the proposed development of an online intimate partner homicide dashboard by the Australian Institute of Criminology to provide the community with current and publicly available data. The data will support law enforcement and policy makers in developing priority responses to issues of family and domestic violence.
- (b) **agreed** to the provision of data from all jurisdictions to the Australian Institute of Criminology's National Intimate Partner Homicide Monitoring Program to support the administration of the intimate partner homicide dashboard.

NATIONAL CONSISTENCY OF EXCLUSION ORDERS IN CASINO, RACING AND GAMING ENVIRONMENT TO DISRUPT SERIOUS ORGANISED CRIME

Participants:

- (a) **noted** the progression of work to achieve national legislative and information sharing consistency for exclusion orders in casino, racing and gaming environments.
- (b) **endorsed** the continued operation of the cross-jurisdictional working group with representation from policing and legislative policy agencies/departments.
- (c) **endorsed** the agreed key principles for exclusion orders in the casino, racing and gaming environments.
- (d) **endorsed** the progression of the agreed key principles for exclusion orders in the casino, racing and gaming environments to implementation in each jurisdiction.

ILLICIT TOBACCO

Participants:

- (a) **agreed** that the illicit tobacco trade causes both economic and public safety harms that require a coordinated national response.
- (b) **agreed** to consider opportunities to better coordinate enforcement efforts and information sharing to target serious and organised crime involvement in the illicit tobacco trade.
- (c) **reaffirmed** the need to combat Organised Crime Networks involved in the illicit tobacco trade within Australia.
- (d) **noted** that the Health Ministers Meeting has endorsed the *National Tobacco Strategy 2023-2030*, which includes actions aimed at addressing trade in illicit tobacco.

VEHICLE IMMOBILISER SUBSIDY TRIAL

Participants:

- (a) **noted** the commencement of the Queensland Government Vehicle Immobiliser Subsidy Trial and the high level of community participation.
- (b) **agreed** the Commonwealth Attorney-General will raise the matter with relevant federal ministers.