

Director
Criminal Law Review
NSW Department of Justice and Attorney General
GPO Box 6
SYDNEY NSW 2001

22 October 2009

Dear Ms Musgrave,

**Re: Statutory review of the *Terrorism (Police Powers) Act 2002*; and
Statutory review of the *Law Enforcement (Powers and Responsibilities) Act 2002***

Community Legal Centres NSW Inc (CLCNSW) is an incorporated association consisting of, and representing, the network of 39 community legal centres throughout NSW. Community legal centres provide a variety of free legal services to disadvantaged clients and communities across the State including legal advice, casework, community legal education, law reform activities and referrals.

In relation to the above reviews, we are aware that the Public Interest Advocacy Centre, one of our member centres, will be providing a submission, for which they have been granted an extension of time.

To further assist your department with these reviews, we enclose a copy of our report "Protect, Protection, Policing: The expansion of police powers and the impact on human rights in NSW". This report was published last year. Using the *APEC Meeting (Police Powers) Act 2007 NSW* as a case study, the report sets out concerns with developments in police powers in NSW.

Please contact me on (02) 92127333 if you have any queries.

Sincerely,

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