

Inquest into the deaths arising from the Lindt Café siege

Orders made by the State Coroner on 18 November 2015

The Court orders that:

Public interest immunity

1. Any claims for public interest immunity made with respect to the proposed brief of evidence for the fourth segment of this inquest are to be made by **Monday 30 November 2015**;
2. In relation to any claims made pursuant to Order 1, each claimant is to provide the Court and the parties with:
 - a. the basis of each public interest immunity claim by reference to a list of categories; and
 - b. where public interest immunity is to be claimed over a whole document, a list containing the title of every such document and the basis of the claim unless the claim also extends to the name of the documents.
3. Claims for public interest immunity that are not accepted by the Court will be resolved at a hearing commencing on 22 December 2015. Evidence and submissions in support of such claims will be served on the Court and all parties by **Thursday 17 December 2015**;

Expert report from policing experts

4. The parties will be provided with the identity and qualifications of the policing experts from the United Kingdom by **Friday 27 November 2015**.
5. The parties will be provided with a draft list of questions proposed to be asked of the policing experts from the United Kingdom ('**UK expert questions**') by **Monday 14 December 2015**.
6. The parties are to submit any suggested amendments or additions UK expert questions by **Friday 18 December 2015**.

Issues list and witness list

7. Counsel Assisting will provide parties with an issues list relating to the siege segment by **Friday 18 December 2015**.
8. A provisional witness list relating to the siege segment will be provided to the parties by **Friday 5 February 2016**.

Brief of evidence for the fourth segment

9. The full, indexed brief relating to the siege segment is to be served on the parties by **Friday 5 February 2016**.
10. Sections of the brief for the siege segment that are not affected by public interest immunity claims will be served on the parties as soon as possible. In particular:
 - a. the transcript of interview with Officer A will be provided to his legal representatives within five business days of the resolution of any claims for public interest immunity made with respect to it; and
 - b. the transcript of interview with Officer B be provided to his legal representatives within five business days of the resolution of any claims for public interest immunity made with respect to it.
11. Any material provided in accordance with these orders shall be used solely for preparing for the hearing and obtaining instructions from the clients of those to whom the material is given. If any party desires to use the material to seek independent expert advice, the leave of the Court must first be sought before any material is disseminated.

Hearing dates for the fourth segment

12. The public hearings in relation to the siege segment are listed to commence on **Monday 21 March 2016**, with a tentative 8 week marking.



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