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AFPA SUPPORTS LATEST FEDERAL GOVERNMENT INITIATIVES

The Australian Federal Police Association (AFPA) welcomes and supports recent announcements made by Attorney-General Mark Dreyfus MP and Assistant Minister for Competition, Charities and Treasury Andrew Leigh MP about coercive control reform and consultation with charities on fundraising laws respectively.

AFPA President Alex Caruana said the two reforms were important to everyday Australians and that he looked forward to working with the Government in assisting to deliver outcomes that protect and support Australians and charities.

“The recent meeting of all Attorneys-General demonstrated their commitment to reform regarding coercive control. The AFPA has consistently supported stronger legislation being implemented to combat this serious issue, significantly under-reported to police across the nation.

“Coercive control is abhorrent and insidious; stronger legislation is needed to combat it and we welcome and thank all the Attorneys-General from across Australia in their support,” Mr Caruana said.

The AFPA also supports and welcomes the announcement from the Assistant Minister for Competition, Charities and Treasury, the Hon Dr Andrew Leigh MP.

“The AFPA’s charity AUSPOL is a police welfare foundation assisting current and former Australian Federal Police (AFP) law enforcement officers and employees, their families, and dependents. Assistance may also be provided to other persons in need outside the law enforcement community, including victims of crime.

“AUSPOL is an important charity for us, and the consultation process announced by the Assistant Minister will assist us in growing AUSPOL and hopefully helping more current and former AFP members and their families,” Mr Caruana said.

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