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Australian Federal Police Association

AFPA welcomes announcement of new AFP Commissioner

The Australian Federal Police Association (AFPA) welcomes today's announcement of the appointment of the new AFP Commissioner, Reece Kershaw, who will take over from the current AFP Commissioner Andrew Colvin at the completion of his fixed term.

AFPA President Angela Smith said that the appointment is welcomed by the Association and Commissioner Kershaw brings a wealth of experience back to the AFP after his stints with the United Nations, National Crime Authority and the Northern Territory Police Force.

"I have met Commissioner Kershaw in his role as the Northern Territory Police Force Commissioner and I look forward to working with him and congratulate him on his appointment as the incoming AFP Commissioner. I have a good relationship with Commissioner Colvin and I hope to continue that relationship with Commissioner Kershaw.

"There are a number of key areas that the AFPA sees as priorities, such as mental health, funding and resourcing of the AFP and the upcoming Enterprise Agreement. I look forward to discussing these key areas with Commissioner Kershaw upon his commencement in early October.

"I will also take this opportunity to thank Minister Dutton and the Government on the early timing of the announcement. The announcement brings an end to the speculation and business can return to normal," AFPA President Angela Smith said.

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