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## MEDIA RELEASE

### RETIREMENT OF ACT CHIEF POLICE OFFICER NEIL GAUGHAN APM

The Australian Federal Police Association (AFPA) acknowledges the recent announcement from Deputy Commissioner Neil Gaughan APM, Chief Police Officer for the ACT, of his upcoming retirement.

AFPA President Alex Caruana said that DC Gaughan had had a distinguished 40-year policing career and that his legacy would be felt within ACT Policing, the AFP and the ACT community for years to come.

"DC Gaughan has held the position of ACT CPO for four years, longer than his predecessors; from an organisational point of view, that stability has been overwhelmingly positive and beneficial for ACT Policing and Canberra.

"Neil and I have had an excellent relationship where we are both comfortable with our ability to work together in all situations.

"DC Gaughan has also been the AFP's lead negotiator for the upcoming enterprise agreement, and we have talked positively and frequently about improving workplace conditions for all AFP appointees. I look forward to further discussions with him over the next few weeks before his retirement," Mr Caruana said.

The AFPA wishes DC Gaughan the very best for his retirement and looks forward to building a new relationship with the incoming Chief Police Officer for the ACT.

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