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Dear Ms Villela,

Response to Coroner's Recommendations – Shannon McCormack

I advise that Victoria Police has given consideration to the recommendations made by the Coroner arising from the inquest conducted into the death of Shannon McCormack on 3 June 2007.

Recommendations 1 and 4 were identified as requiring comment by Victoria Police and the following advice is provided to that end.

Recommendation 1

I recommend that the City of Melbourne and the State of Victoria through Victoria Police maintain and consider increasing the rate at which SAFE CITY cameras are installed, in our city area and elsewhere as may be needed

Response

The Safe City Camera Program was established in Melbourne in 1997. The Council and Victoria Police work together to improve response times to crimes and other emergencies. Since this time the program has expanded (currently 63 CCTV cameras installed) to incorporate the Docklands precinct as well as the introduction of a dedicated mobile camera unit in May 2013 that now operates continuously throughout the year.

Furthermore, Victoria Police provides regular input through the Safe City Camera Program meetings where camera locations are discussed and intelligence shared to identify additional risk areas that are considered when funding becomes available.

Live Safe city camera footage is streamed into the State Police Operations Centre (SPOC) and the Safe City Camera Control Room have the ability to broadcast incidents directly over the Police Communications Network.

A collaborative approach is adopted with regards to sourcing funding to expand this program to cover problematic areas.

Recommendation 2

I also recommend that the State of Victoria maintain its efforts to bring justice to the person or persons responsible for the death of Shannon McCormack.

Response

This investigation is currently unsolved and as such remains an active investigation with the Homicide Squad. Any information received in regard to this matter will be reviewed and investigated accordingly.

Despite an extensive police investigation, continued appeals to the public and a \$100,000 reward being offered, no suspect has been identified at this time.

Yours sincerely,



Robert Clegg APM
Commander
Chief of Staff to the
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