

## MEDIA RELEASE

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## CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS INQUIRY INTO MONEY LAUNDERING IN PUBS AND CLUBS ISSUES PAPERS

As part of an inquiry into money laundering via electronic gaming machines (EGMs) in licenced premises, the New South Wales Crime Commission (NSWCC) is calling for submissions in response to two issues papers published today.

The inquiry is being conducted by the NSWCC in partnership with the Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission and AUSTRAC.

Commissioner Michael Barnes said experts, industry stakeholders and members of the public were invited to respond to questions posed in the issues papers.

"Because of the requirements of the Act under which we operate, our inquiries to date have been held in-camera, but the investigation would be assisted greatly if those with special insight to the activities in question were to make submissions," Mr Barnes said.

The issues papers seek information on the following topics:

- 1. Employment and training of staff in licensed venues with approved EGMs including Responsible Conduct of Gambling training, National Police checks, individual declarations and legislative changes (Issues Paper 1)
- 2. EGM data and transaction monitoring opportunities to better prevent and detect money laundering in the sector including the potential reduction of credit limits, additional information that could be displayed on gaming machine tickets, legislative requirements relating to payments, enhanced data collection and analytics to assist in the detection of money laundering (Issues Paper 2)

Submissions should be made by Friday, 22 July, (preferably by email) to:

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