Criminal Assets Recovery Act 1990 (section 21C) ASSETS FORFEITURE NOTICE

In accordance with section 21C of the *Criminal Assets Recovery Act 1990* (**the Act**), the New South Wales Crime Commission (**the Commission**) hereby issues a notice of intention to forfeit (**assets forfeiture notice**) the following property to the Crown,

\$135,030 in Australian currency (**the property**), seized by officers of the New South Wales Police Force on 11 October 2023 from Unit 13, 4-6 Victoria Street, Wollongong NSW 2500.

This assets forfeiture notice is issued on the following grounds:

- 1. The property is held by the New South Wales Police Force ('NSWPF') and was seized by members of the NSWPF on 11 October 2023 during the execution of a search warrant at Unit 13, 4-6 Victoria Street, Wollongong, NSW, 2500 ('the unit'). The occupier of the unit failed to provide police with evidence supporting the legitimacy of the source of the property and NSWPF officers subsequently formed the view that that person committed offences including pursuant to section 193C(1) of the Crimes Act 1900 and s 25(2) of the Drug Misuse and Trafficking Act 1985.
- 2. The Commission is reasonably satisfied the property is an interest in property:
 - (a) of a person suspected of engaging in serious crime related activity;
 - (b) suspected of being serious crime derived property because of serious crime related activity; and/or
 - (c) suspected of being an available interest relating to serious crime use property.

Pursuant to section 21A of the Act, a dispute claim in relation to this assets forfeiture notice may be made within 60 days from intended publication of the notice and pursuant to section 21G of the Act, **MUST**:

- 1. be made **in writing to the Commission** by post to 453-463 Kent Street, Sydney, NSW or by e-mail to confiscations@crimecommission.nsw.gov.au; and
- 2. include the following information:
 - (a) the name, date of birth and address of the person making the claim (the claimant),
 - (b) the basis of the claim, including the following and evidence, if any, supporting the following —
 - (i) a description of the claimant's interest in the property,
 - (ii) how the interest in the property was acquired,
 - (iii) why the interest in the property is not illegally acquired property,
 - (c) a statutory declaration supporting the information in the claim.

Unless a dispute claim is made to the Commission by **7 May 2024** (i.e. within 60 days of the publication of this notice) this assets forfeiture notice takes effect immediately.

29 February 2024

Peter Bodor KC
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New South Wales Crime Commission

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