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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:

The amount of approximately \$1,148,500 in cash seized by members of the New South Wales Police Force on 8 January 2023 from vehicle with NSW Registration DE74WA (Exhibit References XD500035500 [\$349,750], XD500039496 [\$379,950], and XD500039497 [\$419,150]) (**the property**)

This assets forfeiture notice is issued on the following grounds:

- 1. The property is held by the NSW Police Force and was seized by Police on 8 January 2023. On 8 January 2023, Police executed a search warrant at an address in Hunter Street, Strathfield NSW, following the arrest of two persons on the same day for drug supply offences. The Strathfield address was associated with one of the persons arrested. Vehicle DE74WA was in the garage of that address, and a search of the vehicle located the property. The property is held by police pursuant to their powers under the *Law Enforcement (Powers and Responsibilities) Act 2002*.
- 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; and/or
 - (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 within the meaning of the Act.

Pursuant to section 21A of the Act, a dispute claim in relation to this assets forfeiture notice may be made within 60 days of the publication of this 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 email to <u>AFNdisputes@crimecommission.nsw.gov.au</u>; 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 23 May 2023 (i.e., within **60 days** after of the publication of this notice,) this assets forfeiture notice takes effect immediately after.

22 March 2023

Assistant Commissioner New South Wales Crime Commission

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