

To whom it may concern,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Federal Government's proposed integrity reforms. I believe that this is a positive step and very timely.

Firstly, the proposed two division structure is logical and useful starting point. The extension of the jurisdiction of the public sector division of the CIC to service providers and contractors is a positive and important inclusion, as well as the failure to report public sector corruption offence.

However I do believe that additional measures are required in order to strengthen the abilities and outcomes of the commission.

Specifically I agree with the Australia Institute's suggestions for improvements to the proposed reforms as listed below:

- The commission needs the guaranteed ability to hold public hearings
- Greater funding is required to sufficiently exercise its duties
- The ability to take complaints directly from the public and make its own referrals needs to be included
- A broad jurisdiction to ensure all corruption can be investigated.

Finally, this is a really important initiative and I urge the Federal Government to promote the conduction period widely and encourage the public to become involved. I look forward to following the progression of the proposed reforms and trust that you will consider these outcomes.

Kind regards,

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