

7 June 2022

Paul McCue Federal Treasurer / NT Branch President Police Federation of Australia-Northern Territory Police Branch

Sent via email: <u>pfa@pfa.org.au</u> CC: <u>Debbie@pfa.org.au</u>

Dear Paul McCue,

Section 271 application for certificate of exemption from the requirements of Part 3 of Chapter 8 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 (the Act) (FR2022/23)

I refer to the application lodged pursuant to section 271(1) of the Act by the Police Federation of Australia-Northern Territory Police Branch (the reporting unit) for the financial year ended 30 April 2022. The application was lodged with the Registered Organisations Commission (**the ROC**) on 1 June 2022.

The application has been granted. The certificate is attached.

Please note that the ROC has recently released an application form and fact sheet to assist reporting units when applying for a certificate of exemption under section 271 of the Act. Please follow this <u>link</u> for further information.

If you wish to discuss this matter, please contact Madeleine Hurrell (03) 9603 0988 or by email at Madeleine.Hurrell@roc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

Patrick Coyle Executive Director (A/g) Registered Organisations Commission



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CERTIFICATE

Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 s.271—Certificate of exemption from requirements of Chapter 8, Part 3

Police Federation of Australia-Northern Territory Police Branch FR2022/23

MR COYLE

MELBOURNE, 7 JUNE 2022

Certificate of exemption from the requirements of Part 3 of Chapter 8 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009

[1] On 1 June 2022 an application was made under s.271(1) of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* by the Police Federation of Australia-Northern Territory Police Branch for a certificate of exemption in respect of the financial year ended 30 April 2022.

[2] I am satisfied that the reporting unit did not have any financial affairs in respect of the financial year ended 30 April 2022.



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1 June 2022

Our Ref: 0107/22

Lodgement of Financial Report for Year Ended 30 April 2022 S.271 *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* (the RO Act) Request for Certificate of Exemption from Reporting Obligations

I, PAUL DAMIEN MCCUE, President of the Northern Territory Police Branch of the Police Federation of Australia, an authorised officer under the Rules to act on behalf of the Branch and in consideration of s.271 of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* (the RO Act) hereby apply for a Certificate to exempt the Branch from the requirements of the RO Act relating to financial matters occurring in the year ended 30 April 2022.

I make the following statements in support of the request for the Certificate of Exemption:

- The Branch does not expend economic resources or incur any financial obligations to conduct its activities and does not carry out any trade or engage in any financial transactions of any kind;
- 2. The Branch does not have an account with a bank or any other financial institution nor does it have custody of any real property, moneys or other assets;
- 3. The Branch accordingly has no reason to keep accounting records;
- 4. The reason that the Branch does not trade or engage in financial transactions is because of the relationship between the Branch and another body corporate known as the Northern Territory Police Association (the "Associated Body"), referred to in Rules 6 and 6A and the membership application form at Annexure "A" of the Rules of the Police Federation of Australia ("the Rules").



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- 5. The Associated Body was incorporated on 22 October 1979.
- 6. The Branch was not formed until 31 December 1997 when the Police Federation of Australia was registered as an organisation.
- 7. The Associated Body expends economic resources and incurs financial obligations, including the collection of membership fees, the payment of accounts for expenses incurred in carrying out regular business (such as the production of a journal), operates a bank account, has leased and/or owned property and office machinery and employs and pays wages of employees.
- 8. The Membership of the Branch and the Associated Body are identical and indistinguishable. No member of the Branch is ineligible for membership of the Associated Body. No prospective member has applied to be a member of the Branch and not also a member of the Associated Body.
- 9. The only financial concern of the Branch relates to the payment of capitation fees by the Branch to the Federal Fund pursuant to Rule 7 of the Rules but this is paid by the Associated Body in accordance with Rule 7A of the Rules.
- 10. The Branch in all other aspects carries out its functions as set out in the Objects of the Federation (Rule 4). In particular, the Officers of the Associated Body are the officers elected by the Branch in accordance with the Branch Rules and the Federal Rules. The Branch Executive meets monthly other than in January of each year and regulates the affairs of the Branch in a thorough and consistent manner.
- 11. The Associated Body is a not-for-profit association incorporated in the Northern Territory pursuant to Part 3 of the *Associations Act (NT) 2003*. The *Associations Act (NT) 2003* is binding on our Association and Part 5 requires us to maintain proper accounting records, provide an annual statement of account and ensure our accounts are properly audited on an annual basis.
- 12. The Audited Financial Statements of the Associated Body are presented to our Annual Conference each year. In addition to this, our Audited Financial Statements are available to all financial members through the members page of the Associated Body's website.



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Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any queries in relation to this application.

Yours Sincerely

Paul McCue President



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