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Ms Janet Mitchell President Police Federation of Australia Victoria Police Branch 1 Clarendon Street EAST MELBOURNE VIC 3002

Dear Ms Mitchell,

Re: Financial Reporting - year ending 30 June 2005 - FR 2005/282

Schedule 1B of the Workplace Relations Act 1996

Application for certificate of exemption from requirements of Chapter 8, Part 3

I refer to your application for a certificate of exemption under subsection 271 of Schedule 1B of the Workplace Relations Act 1996 for the Victoria Police Branch of the Police Federation of Australia, for financial year ended 30 June 2005. The application was lodged in the Registry on 11 January 2006.

I have granted the application. My certificate is enclosed.

Should you wish to discuss this letter, please contact Andrew Schultz on (03) 8661 7799.

Yours sincerely

TERRY NASSIOS Deputy Industrial Registrar

24 January 2006



## Workplace Relations Act 1996

s.271 certificate of exemption from requirements of Chapter 8, Part 3, Schedule 1B

## Police Federation of Australia (FR2005/282)

## **CERTIFICATE**

On 11 January 2006 an application was lodged under subsection 271(1) of Schedule 1B of the Workplace Relations Act 1996 for a certificate of exemption by the Victoria Police Branch of the Police Federation of Australia, in respect of the financial year ended 30 June 2005. I am satisfied that the said Branch is a reporting unit that did not have any financial affairs in the year ended 30 June 2005.



Terry Nassios
DEPUTY INDUSTRIAL REGISTRAR

24 January 2006



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Our Ref: 63462S.195

Your Ref:

6 January 2006

The Deputy Registrar Australian Industrial Registry GPO Box 1994 S MELBOURNE 3001

Attention:

Mr Andrew Schultz

Statutory Services Branch

Dear Sir

FR2005/282

Re:

Financial Reports for Year Ending 30 June 2005 – FR 2005/282 Schedule 1B of the Workplace Relations Act 1996 (the RAO Schedule) – S271 Application for Exemption Certificate

My name is Janet Ruth Mitchell. I am the President of the Victoria Police Branch of the Police Federation of Australia and am authorised under the Rules, to act on behalf of the Branch.

In consideration of s.271 of Schedule 1B of the Act I apply for a Certificate to exempt the Branch from the requirements of the Act relating to financial matters occurring in the year ended 30 June 2005.

In support of the application I say:

- 1. The Branch does not trade or carry out 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 or moneys.
- 3. The Branch accordingly has no reason to keep accounting records.
- 4. The reason that the Branch does not trade is because of the relationship between the Branch and the "Associated Body", The Police Association, referred to in Rule 6, 6A and the membership application form at Annexure "A" of the Federal Rules of the Police Federation of Australia.
- 5. The Associated Body was incorporated on 31 March 1947.

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- 6. The Branch was not formed until 31 December 1997 when the Police Federation of Australia was registered as an organisation.
- 7. Since inception, the Associated Body has carried out financial transactions 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), has operated a bank account, has leased and/or owned property and office machinery, has employed and paid wages of employees.
- 8. 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 (Rule 7) but this is paid by the Associated Body in accordance with Federal Rule 7.
- 10. This is not to be read as inferring that the Branch does not function in a manner assumed by the Rules of the Police Federation of Australia. The Branch is fully operative in carrying out the Objects of the Union (Rule 4).
- 11. 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 and regulates the affairs of the Branch in a thorough and consistent manner. Officers of the Branch act for and appear for members in the Australian Industrial Relations Commission.

Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Janet Mitchell

<u>President</u>

Encl: Copy of letter dated 8 September 2005