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Ms Elspeth Dyer
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Dear Ms Dyer,

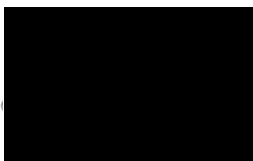
Re: Inquiry into Violence Against Emergency Services Personnel

I refer to your correspondence of 22 November 2016 to Dr Tony Sara, President ASMOF NSW regarding the Legislative Assembly Committee on Law and Safety.

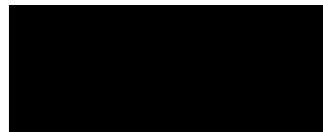
To clarify, AMA (NSW) and ASMOF (NSW) have called for the Courts to consider the status of a healthcare worker as a victim of an assault. However, we have not called for the imposition of mandatory sentences.

We see the imposition of a sentence to be a matter for the judiciary, subject to the recognition that the offence was committed against a healthcare worker.

Yours sincerely,



Prof. Brad Frankum OAM
President, AMA (NSW)



Dr Tony Sara
President, ASMOF (NSW)