STANDING COMMITTEE ON LAW AND JUSTICE

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COMMITTEE TO HEAR FROM BOWRAVILLE MURDER VICTIMS' FAMILIES

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In the early 1990s, over a period of five months, three Aboriginal children in Bowraville were murdered. While there has been extensive police work, applications and appeals relating to these crimes, the Bowraville community is still troubled that no one has been brought to justice for committing these crimes.

The Standing Committee on Law and Justice today announced that it would hold an inquiry to hear from the families of the Bowraville murder victims.

Committee Chair, the Hon David Clarke MLC said, "This inquiry will provide an opportunity for family members of child victims Colleen Walker-Craig, Evelyn Greenup and Clinton Speedy-Duroux to appear before the Committee and speak about the impact their murders have had on them and their community."

"It is important to point out that this inquiry is not a murder investigation and we will not be examining decisions made by the Attorney General or the police" said the Chair.

The Committee is currently seeking written submissions, with a closing date of 28 February 2014. The Committee intends to travel to the Bowraville area to hear from the family members.

For more information, including terms of reference and guidelines for making a submission, please visit the Committee's website: www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/lawandjustice.

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For further comment please contact the Hon David Clarke MLC, Committee Chair, on 9230 2260