INQUIRY INTO PROVISIONS OF THE FIREARMS AND WEAPONS LEGISLATION (CRIMINAL USE) BILL 2020

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I write to object to the proposed Firearms and Weapons Legislation Amendment (Criminal use) Bill 2020. The bill needlessly duplicated existing crimes and laws, while expanding the powers of police with a lack of judicial oversight. I recognize that this is precisely the intent, and remind you the the police have a duty to obey and enforce the law, under proper judicial oversight. This bill removes that oversight and ushers in the vanguard of a police state. It also gives police the power to search and seize a wide range of lawful items, legally used in lawful activities. This is unacceptable. I think this bill needs to be overhauled completely by people highly experienced in firearms or disregarded completely as once again this only effects law abiding firearm owners. As it is already illegal to manufacture firearms and parts I see no reason to reiterate a law that is already in force. I think there is one significant point that the vast majority of Politicians and Police in general do not realise is that criminals DO NOT obey the law.