

## **Media Briefing Pack**

### **1. Media Holding Statement**

Given the level of public discussion across social and other media, the Anti-Corruption Commission is providing the following factual clarification to address speculation and ensure accurate reporting.

The ACC confirms that the Director of Investigations and three investigators have resigned and have sought immediate effect. We acknowledge the concerns they have raised and respect their decision.

They have requested confidentiality and non-retaliation, and the ACC will honour that request, confirming that matters of this nature are handled confidentially and with respect for all those involved, including those who wish to raise concerns.

The Commissioner invited the Director to meet and discuss concerns. The meeting did not proceed.

The ACC continues to operate under established delegations and governance arrangements. Current investigations and statutory functions continue without interruption.

The ACC is committed to ensuring a fair, transparent, and lawful process. We will not comment on individual concerns raised in the resignation letters.

### **2. Media Q&A Lines**

#### **Q: Did you try to resolve the concerns before the resignations?**

The Commissioner invited the Director to meet and discuss concerns raised internally. These discussions did not proceed. To protect the privacy of those involved I cannot comment any further on this at this stage.

#### **Q: Why didn't the Director of Investigation meet with you?**

We cannot speak to her decisions. The opportunity to meet remains open.

#### **Q: Have the concerns been leaked?**

To our knowledge, only the resignations have been reported.

#### **Q: What are the concerns?**

The staff raised concerns in their resignation letters. They requested confidentiality, and we will respect that.

#### **Q: Why are you releasing this now?**

Given the extent of public commentary and speculation, the ACC considers it appropriate to provide a factual clarification. This statement is intended to address misinformation while respecting confidentiality obligations.

#### **Q: How many resignations have occurred in total?**

The ACC can confirm the resignation of the Director of Investigations and three investigators. Beyond that, it would be inappropriate to comment on individual staffing matters.

**Q: Is the Commissioner confident in leadership and governance?**

Yes. The Commissioner remains confident that appropriate governance, oversight and statutory processes are in place and will continue to be exercised in accordance with the law.

**Q: Has an external body been notified or engaged?**

The ACC complies with all statutory obligations. At this stage, it would be inappropriate to comment on any internal or external processes.

**Q: What assurance can you give whistleblowers or staff?**

The ACC takes concerns seriously. Anyone who raises concerns is entitled to confidentiality, non-retaliation and respectful handling in accordance with the law and established processes.

**Q: Will the ACC be commenting further on the concerns raised in the resignation letters?**

No. The ACC will not comment on individual concerns raised in resignation correspondence. Any matters will be addressed through appropriate processes.