



**Australian Government**  
**Australian Commission for  
Law Enforcement Integrity**

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The Hon Michael Keenan MP  
Minister for Justice  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Minister

**2015–16 Annual Report —Witness Identity Protection Certificates**

As chief officer, I am pleased to provide this Annual Report about the Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity's administration of witness identity protection certificates. The report has been prepared pursuant to section 15MU(1) of the *Crimes Act 1914* and covers the period 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016.

I draw your attention to section 15MU(4) of the *Crimes Act* that requires you to table a copy of the report before each House of the Parliament within 15 sitting days after the day on which you receive the report.

On this occasion, there are no matters that require the exclusion of information from the report before it is tabled, as contemplated by section 15MU(3) of the *Crimes Act*. Accordingly, the report is suitable to be laid before each House of the Parliament.

Yours sincerely

Michael Griffin AM  
Integrity Commissioner



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**Report pursuant to section 15MU(1) *Crimes Act 1914*  
Witness identity protection certificates  
2015–16**

The number of witness identity certificates given during the year. <b>[s 15MU(2)(a)]</b>	None
The basis for which the Integrity Commissioner was satisfied about the matters mentioned in paragraph 15ME(1)(b) for each certificate. <b>[s 15MU(2)(b)]</b>	Not applicable
If disclosure of an operative's identity to a presiding officer was required by section 15ML—details of the proceeding in relation to which disclosure was required and details of the things that the presiding officer required the operative to do under that section. <b>[s 15MU(2)(c)]</b>	Not applicable
If leave was given or an order made under section 15MM in a proceeding in which a witness identity protection certificate for an operative was filed—details of the proceeding that relate to the leave or order. <b>[s 15MU(2)(d)]</b>	Not applicable
If leave was given for joinder of a person as a respondent to proceedings under section 15MN—details of the person who was joined and who appeared on their behalf. <b>[s 15MU(2)(e)]</b>	Not applicable
If leave was given for an adjournment under section 15MP—details of whether an appeal was made against the decision under that section. <b>[s 15MU(2)(f)]</b>	Not applicable
If a witness identity protection certificate was cancelled under section 15MQ—the reasons why the certificate was cancelled. <b>[s 15MU(2)(g)]</b>	Not applicable
If a permission was given under section 15MR—the reasons why the permission was given. <b>[s 15MU(2)(h)]</b>	Not applicable
Other information relating to witness identity protection certificates and the administration of Part IACA that the Minister considers appropriate. <b>[s 15MU(2)(i)]</b>	Not applicable