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PRESS RELEASE

The Police Association of NSW (PANSW) today welcomed the announcement from NSW Police Commissioner, Andrew Scipione and Deputy Premier & Minister for Police, Troy Grant regarding the reengineering of the New South Wales Police Force (NSWPF).

The first phase of the enhanced executive structure will see the creation of five executive positions reporting directly to the Commissioner, expanding deputy numbers from the current three to the following five:

- A Deputy Commissioner for Metropolitan Field Operations;
- A Deputy Commissioner for Regional NSW Field Operations;
- A Deputy Commissioner for Investigations and Counter Terrorism;
- A Deputy Commissioner for Specialist Support;
- An executive in charge of Corporate Services.

These deputies once appointed, will be in charge of leading further reform in their areas of responsibility.

Police Association Vice President, Pat Gooley, said, "Today's announcement is a good start and follows strong representations from the PANSW to deliver a better policing model for the community.

"Reengineering the force is aimed at delivering police on the ground where they're needed and when they're needed – this means our communities will reap the safety benefits.

"The PANSW has been calling for a transparent and objective resource allocation model that takes into account changing demographics and population growth and allocates resources accordingly, across not only Sydney, but the entire state.

"There needs to be recognition that regional areas have different challenges and resource requirements than metropolitan centres.

"To be future-ready we must be prepared for the ongoing challenges and risks faced from a variety of fronts, whether originating from a person, extremist group, the mentally ill and/or drug-affected individuals or a direct home-grown terrorism threat.

"The NSWPF structure needs to reflect and support an organised, trained, and equipped police force, committed to protecting the community.

"We look forward to working with the Government and the NSWPF as the new structures are developed and implemented."

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