

## GOVERNANCE REVIEW – DEPARTMENT OF THE PREMIER AND CABINET ADMINISTRATION OF OVERSEAS OFFICES

### TERMS OF REFERENCE

A Governance Review (Review) will be conducted by the Public Sector Commissioner (Commissioner) pursuant to section 24B(1) of the *Public Sector Management Act 1994*, and in accordance with the Commissioner's prevention and education function in section 45A of the *Corruption and Crime Commission Act 2003*, which includes analysing systems used within public authorities to prevent misconduct.

Having regard to the findings of the Corruption and Crime Commission's Report on the WA Commissioner in Japan released on 12 March 2019, the Review will identify how the serious misconduct of Mr Craig Peacock, documented in that Report, went undetected in the Department of the Premier and Cabinet between 2008 and 2017.

In particular, the Review will:

- examine the governance arrangements in place in the Department of the Premier and Cabinet in administering expense claims, other entitlements and asset management in the WA Government's overseas offices
- advise on any changes to governance processes, policies and/or management practices that should be implemented by the Department of the Premier and Cabinet to ensure that an appropriate control framework is in place
- liaise with the Review and Audit of Western Australia's Overseas Trade and Investment Offices being undertaken by the Department of Jobs, Tourism, Science and Innovation such that any relevant information, findings or recommendations from one review may inform the other.

Should the Review identify learnings for the public sector more broadly, these will be actioned by the Commissioner as appropriate.

Any evidence of impropriety on the part of any individual uncovered will be dealt with in accordance with the applicable legislation.

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