

# Briefing for discussion regarding the Future of Tech Commission

To Julie Inman Grant

From [REDACTED]

Date Tuesday, 17 August 2021

Subject Briefing for discussion regarding the Future of Tech Commission

Date & Time Friday 20 August 2021  
8:30 - 9:00am (30 minute meeting)

[Via Zoom: Link](#)

## Attendees

Australia - eSafety	Future of Tech Commission
Julie Inman Grant [REDACTED]	[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

## Proposed run sheet and instructions

8:20 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Log into Zoom Meeting</li></ul>
8:30 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Welcome and Introductions</li></ul>
8:35 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Opening remarks - Commissioner, Julie Inman Grant</li></ul>
8:40 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Discussion, Q&amp;A</li></ul>
9:00 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Finished.</li></ul>

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### Questions and answers

**Do you feel there is a coordinated U.S. tech policy? What would be the most effective way for the U.S. to collaborate with the eSafety Commission in shaping a comprehensive tech policy agenda?**

- There is a clear need in the U.S for greater coordination across local, state and federal governments, as well as across sectors and industry in relation to tech policy.
- While law enforcement, the FTC and DOJ have similar functions to eSafety in terms of responding to child sexual exploitation and image based-abuse, without a dedicated agency established to coordinate online safety efforts in the US, there is a risk that user safety, will be the 'poor relation' to issues like security and privacy.
- We have a distinct voice and function to that of law enforcement, providing a service to citizens that is more accessible and a one-stop-shop designed to focus on their individual needs.
- Of course, there are already great organisations and programs in the US, including the work of the National Centre for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) Common Sense Media and FOSI, which cross over with our remit and activities.
- However, we have found that having an authoritative voice from government, through an eSafety Commissioner, to be a positive tool for change. Our eSafety brand is recognised and truly trusted by the communities that we serve.
- We are happy to share our insights and experiences of the past six years with the Commission and any body established in the US.

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