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Dear Attorney

On 16 March 2023, Deputy State Coroner Magistrate Derek Lee finalised the Inquest into the death of Luis Fernandez. The Deputy State Coroner made the following recommendation:

That consideration be given to ensuring that there are no technical or other impediments preventing an officer-in-charge of a missing person investigation from receiving disseminations regarding intelligence reports relevant to an active investigation, directly and in a timely manner.

I can advise that the NSW Police Force Missing Persons Registry is amending the Missing Persons, Unidentified Bodies and Human Remains Standard Operating Procedures to ensure notification to the officer-in-charge (as well as their Command) of any new information or intelligence being added to COPS on the relevant Missing Person.

The Missing Persons Registry will also work towards progressing a technical modification in COPS to ensure that the officer-in-charge of a case is automatically notified of new information and any other intelligence.

Yours sincerely

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Commissioner of Police

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