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Dear Ms Wright

Thank you for your correspondence of 7 January 2022 providing Coroner Urquhart's findings following the Coronial inquest into the death of Child JP.

The Western Australia Police Force advise all recommendations in the findings have been considered and the following update is provided:

### Recommendation 1

This is an identical recommendation to that made in the previous inquest of Thorsager [2021] WACOR 20, 27 June 2021. In December 2021, the WA Police Force commenced a project to explore the development and funding options for this capability.

### Recommendation 2 and 3

A review of the WA Police Force internal investigation practices has occurred and changes have been implemented to improve the Internal Affairs Unit standard operating procedures. Recommendations 2 and 3 have been implemented.

### Recommendation 4

The WA Police Force will assess the capability of the Duty Inspector to speak directly to police officers engaged in evade police driving incidents. Additionally, in response to the adverse comments regarding the internal investigation into the involved police officers, the completed investigation is now the subject of a comprehensive review.

Yours sincerely

**HON PAUL PAPALIA CSC MLA  
MINISTER FOR POLICE**

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