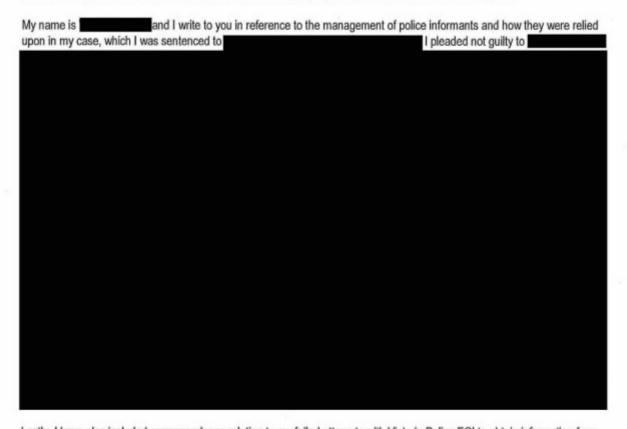
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Royal Commission Into the Management of Police Informants PO Box 18028 Melbourne VIC 3001

Dear Royal Commission,

## SUBMISSION FOR THE ROYAL COMMISSION INTO THE MANAGEMENT OF POLICE INFORMANTS



Lastly, I have also included correspondence relating to my failed attempts with Victoria Police FOI to obtain information from my case that was never provided throughout the criminal proceedings. It seems they have no procedure in place for critical information management, and persist in denying the presence of information, worse still being able to locate information after advising me of its destruction mid FOI request. I understand that what I have provided is not directly related to the matters addressed in your *Terms of Reference*, however they are issues that do surround the reckless use of any human source (particularly ones with a criminal history and something to gain), and the dangers of relying on such information can cause such a terrible miscarriage of justice that in turn is extremely difficult to resolve with Victoria's current legal system.

I hope that part of your review in rectifying the issues that surround the misuse of human source information is a recommendation into the current Appeals process and advises on the ability for convicted persons to be given the right to appeal, based on fresh and compelling evidence, as has been introduced in South Australia and Tasmania. Many convicted people, like myself, are likely to have had these senior members of Victoria Police involved in cases during the era that EF was actively used as a human source information. As this Royal Commission unfolds it shows that EF understood their wrong doing as a human source, and senior members of Victoria Police knowingly and willingly exploited such a source. It shines doubt on their integrity and puts their actions into disrepute. To create a transparent environment, an outcome of the

Royal Commission should be to fully disclose any benefit gained from a member of the force when human source information is obtained and utilised.

I thank you for your time in reviewing the information I have provided and I'm willing to provide further detail if required. I do believe that this enquiry will only open up and expose more issues and hope that they are all dealt with in a manner which moves our justice system forward, as the current system is erroneous and unjust, which is why such actions by those in authority could have gone undetected for so long.

Kind regards,