



Standing Committee on Justice and Community Safety

Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2022-2023 **ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

Asked by Mr Jeremy Hanson MLA on 23 November 2023: Mr Neil Gaughan took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to:

MR HANSON: Great. Can you give me an indication, and if not now on notice, the total number of patch members and the total number of associates?

Mr Gaughan: Yes. So, the total number of patch members is approximately 30. The number of associates does change from time to time. We are also aware that there has been some meetings in Canberra over the last couple of months but members from OMCG groups from interstate have travelled to Canberra. But as far as the number of associates, we will have to take that one on notice.

Minster for Police and Emergency Services: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

As at 28 November 2023, intelligence held by ACT Policing indicates 29 patched members and another 12 OMCG associates, however this number fluctuates depending on gang activity and criminality.

OMCGs have well-established criminal networks with an extensive offshore and onshore presence. Most OMCGs have chapters across Australia and work closely with interstate counterparts.

OMCG chapters across Australia attend national OMCG meetings and/or events such as runs and functions to develop these networks.

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Signature: 

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By the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Mr Mick Gentleman MLA

