Major Events (Asian Football Confederation Asian Cup Australia 2015) Declaration 2014 (No 1)

Disallowable instrument DI2014-304

made under the

Major Events Act 2014, s 6 (Major event – declaration)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This declaration applies the provisions of the *Major Events Act 2014* (the Act) to the seven matches held in Canberra as part of the Asian Football Confederation (AFC) Asian Cup Australia 2015, to be held at Canberra Stadium between Friday 10 January 2015 and Friday 23 January 2015. This notice is a disallowable instrument.

The effect of this declaration is to apply powers and offences under the Act, part 3 (Crowd Management) and part 4 (Protection of commercial arrangements). The application of these powers does not affect the rights of venue operators and property holders that apply under ACT or Commonwealth laws or the common law.

Crowd management in part 3 of the Act include offences in relation to the possession of prohibited items and interference with the event. Part 3 also provides crowd management powers including the power to search personal property, to conduct scanning searches and frisk searches.

Protection of commercial arrangements in part 4 of the Act includes offences for using a protected symbol, and unauthorised street trading or advertising in a declared clean zone. The activation of commercial arrangements has some affect on the duties of business operators within the clean zone but does not affect their daily operating functions.

Clause 1 is a technical clause that details the title of the instrument.

Clause 2 states that the instrument commences on the day after its notification.

Clause 3 declares the seven matches held in Canberra as part of the Asian Football Confederation (AFC) Asian Cup Australia 2015, to be held at Canberra Stadium between Friday 10 January 2015 and Friday 23 January 2015 as a major event.

Clause 4 states that the event organiser of the major event is the Local Organising Committee AFC Asian Cup 2015 Australia (ACN 15 777 1330).

Clause 5 lists the dates of the major events, and the corresponding games for each day.

Clause 6 sets out the details of the event times, noting that each game has various starting and finishing times.

Clause 7 declares that the grounds, including any buildings situation on the grounds occupied by the including any buildings situated on the grounds, occupied by the Canberra Stadium at Battye Street, Bruce ACT is the event venue of the major event.

Clause 8 states the times that the major event is in force.

Clause 9 gives notice that a protected symbol and a clean zone notices will be given for the declaration.

Clause 10 and clause 11 remove a flag that is longer or wider than 900mm and a flag pole that is longer than 1m from the definition of prohibited item and prescribes a flagpole that is longer than 1500mm. This clarifies that flags of any size and a flag pole of up to 1500mm are not prohibited. This clarification ensures consistency between the terms and conditions of entry in place for the events at Canberra Stadium.

Clause 12 provides that the instrument expires at 12:01am on 24 January 2015.