## No. S43, Monday 9 July, 2001

## AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY FIREARMS ACT 1996 DECLARATION

UNDER section 13 of the *Firearms Act 1996* (the Act) I DECLARE an amnesty period of three months for the unauthorised possession of firearms.

The amnesty period will commence at 9.00 am on Monday 9 July 2001 and cease at 5.00 pm on Friday, 5 October 2001.

During the amnesty period, a person who is in possession of a firearm, but is not authorised by a licence or a permit to possess that firearm, does not commit an offence under section 16 of the Act if the person is surrendering the firearm to the police, or is proceeding to a police station to surrender it.

No compensation is payable for the surrender of any firearm.

Dated: 5 July 2001

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