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Dear Commissioner

I request you open an investigation into the improper disclosure to a journalist of protected information. On the ABC television *Insiders* program on Sunday 1 July 2018 a journalist, Ms Niki Savva, said words to the effect of:

I just think it's very fraught, the whole thing, because from my understanding, George Brandis had asked for an additional piece of information from the CDP [Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions] on this issue which fortuitously or not landed on Christian Porter's desk when he took over with a very strong recommendation to prosecute. So I think if Porter had ignored that and it had subsequently come out, then he would have faced a lot of grief so I don't think he had any choice but to proceed. So everything hinges now on the court case.

My understanding is that advice from the Director of Public Prosecutions to a Government Minister would be protected, and its disclosure would therefore be a crime. As this matter goes to the heart of very serious charges laid against Mr Bernard Collaery and his client, I ask as a matter of urgency that you conduct an investigation.

Yours sincerely

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