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#### **Review of Australia's Sports Integrity Arrangements**

The Federal Government has received the Review of Australia's Sports Integrity Arrangements.

The Review was initiated by the Government in August 2017 as part of the development of the National Sport Plan. The Review was conducted by an independent panel led by the Hon James Wood AO QC, supported by Mr David Howman CNZM and Mr Ray Murrhly. The panel was also assisted by adjunct panel members Dr Annabelle Bennett AO SC and Ms Jo Setright.

The Review Panel undertook extensive stakeholder consultations, holding over 40 stakeholder meetings and reviewing over 30 written submissions. Submissions provided to the National Sport Plan portal operated by the Australian Sports Commission that referenced sports integrity were also considered.

The Review represents the most comprehensive examination of Australia's sports integrity arrangements ever undertaken, and makes 52 recommendations in line with the terms of reference.

The Government will now consider the findings and recommendations.

The Government looks forward to working with all stakeholders to continue to protect the integrity and reputation of Australian sport and our proud sporting heritage.

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