

Law Enforcement Conduct Commission (LECC)

Level 3, 111 Elizabeth Street, Sydney NSW 2000

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FORMAL COMPLAINT — SERIOUS POLICE MISCONDUCT | Complaint
Reference: EXT2026-0413

1. COMPLAINANT DETAILS

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2. NATURE OF THIS COMPLAINT

This complaint is directed at the NSW Police Force Complaints Management Team — specifically the conduct of Acting Superintendent Paul Grace, Commander, Eastern Beaches Police Area Command — and concerns the manifestly inadequate, biased, and procedurally deficient investigation of Complaint Reference EXT2026-0413.

This is not a complaint about NSW Police per se. It is a complaint about the Eastern Beaches Police Area Command's internal complaints process, which amounts to police investigating themselves in a matter directly concerning their own officers. The process was fundamentally compromised from the outset and the outcome — a finding of no wrongdoing without any genuine inquiry — is not credible.

3. BACKGROUND — THE UNDERLYING INCIDENT

On 9 January 2026, I contacted police from my residence regarding a harassment matter involving neighbours Samira Khalaj and her partner Az. Upon arrival, a Sergeant attended first. When I attempted to explain the situation, the Sergeant accused me of lying, stating I had no AVO in place. He then made the following racially and sexually vilifying statements directed at me:

"You fucking Jewish cunts are all trouble — especially you gay Jewish cunts."

This constitutes racial vilification and hate speech under the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 and potentially the Crimes Act 1900.

Further officers then arrived at the scene. The neighbour's partner confronted me in the corridor. Rather than managing the situation, the attending officers allowed him to do so and then — without any lawful basis or proportionate cause — a group of six (6) officers assaulted me, taking me to the ground. The assault was witnessed by a third party and was captured on video.

As a direct result of the assault, I suffered the following documented injuries:

- Head laceration requiring hospital treatment
- Slurred speech lasting approximately seven (7) days
- Bruising and contusions documented by attending medical staff at Prince of Wales Hospital, Randwick
- Aggravation of pre-existing diabetes, now medically unstable
- Ongoing nightmares and sleep disturbance consistent with psychological trauma

No medical assistance was offered to me at the scene by any of the six officers. The officers did not identify themselves and refused my subsequent request for their names and badge numbers.

4. THE DEFICIENT INTERNAL INVESTIGATION

Following the incident, I wrote to the Eastern Beaches Police Area Command. I was subsequently contacted by Senior Constable / Officer Anthony Agnew of the Eastern Beaches PAC, who was assigned to conduct the internal review.

The following serious failures occurred during that process:

- **Witness not contacted:** I provided Officer Agnew with the full contact details of the independent eyewitness to the assault — Socrates Zidane Abdul Rahmahn Burazer (mobile: 0498 366 246). Officer Agnew never contacted this witness. I confirmed this directly with the witness.
- **Hospital records not obtained:** I advised Officer Agnew that my medical records at Prince of Wales Hospital, Randwick, were available and that the treating doctor had made contemporaneous notes and a video record of my injuries. These records were never requested or reviewed.
- **Officers' identities withheld:** I formally requested the names and badge numbers of the six officers involved in the assault on multiple occasions. Officer Agnew refused to provide this information and did not respond to that part of my correspondence at all.
- **Body-worn camera footage withheld:** I requested access to the body-worn camera footage from all six attending officers — footage that would directly corroborate the assault. This was not provided, not addressed, and no explanation was given.
- **000 call record not referenced:** A recording of the 000 emergency call exists and was not referenced or obtained in the investigation.
- **Third-party video evidence ignored:** Video footage of the assault, captured by a third-party bystander and showing the officers taking me to the ground, was not requested or considered.
- **Diabetic medication seized and not returned — not investigated:** During the assault, the attending officers seized my diabetic medication. It was not

returned. My medication is not listed on the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme and cannot be obtained through a standard subsidised prescription. As a direct result of the seizure, Prince of Wales Hospital was required to obtain a special Medicare script to source a replacement medication. The replacement cost was \$878.00. I raised the seizure of my medication, its cost, and the PBS status explicitly in my correspondence with Officer Agnew. This issue was not acknowledged in any of Agnew's responses, was not investigated, and is entirely absent from the closure letter issued by A/Superintendent Grace on 25 January 2026. The \$878.00 cost falls on me as a direct and foreseeable consequence of police conduct.

- **Correspondence stonewalled:** When I raised these concerns, Officer Agnew repeatedly responded only with requests for further information — without ever acknowledging or addressing my outstanding requests. The investigation was then abruptly closed.

On 25 January 2026, A/Superintendent Paul Grace issued a letter concluding that "no evidence was identified to substantiate the allegations raised" and declaring the matter finalised. This conclusion was reached without interviewing the independent witness, without reviewing hospital records, without obtaining body-worn camera footage, without identifying the involved officers, and without any reference to the seizure of my diabetic medication or the \$878.00 replacement cost that resulted from it. Not a single piece of external evidence was obtained or considered.

This is not an investigation. This is a process designed to reach a predetermined outcome.

5. ADDITIONAL MATTER: DIABETIC MEDICATION — SEIZURE, NON-RETURN AND FINANCIAL LOSS

I wish to draw this matter to the LECC's attention as a discrete issue that was entirely omitted from the Eastern Beaches PAC's internal complaints process.

My diabetic medication was on my person when the attending officers took me to the ground on 9 January 2026. It was seized during or immediately after the assault and was not returned to me. The medication is not available under the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme. It is a specialist medication that requires a specific script and cannot be obtained at a standard subsidised cost.

Because the medication was not returned, Prince of Wales Hospital was required to source a replacement through a special Medicare script process — an emergency pathway that exists for exactly this kind of situation. The replacement cost was \$878.00.

The consequence of the seizure: I was left without essential diabetic medication following a physical assault. The period without medication — combined with the physical and psychological trauma of the assault — directly contributed to the

destabilisation of my diabetes, which remains medically unstable. The \$878.00 cost was incurred solely because police took my medication and did not return it.

I raised this matter explicitly in my correspondence with Officer Agnew. It was not acknowledged. It does not appear in the closure letter from A/Superintendent Grace. It was not investigated. There is no record within the complaint file that any officer was asked why the medication was taken, whether it was retained or disposed of, or what process existed for returning property taken during an incident of this kind.

I ask the LECC to treat the seizure and non-return of my medication, and the resulting \$878.00 financial loss, as a matter requiring specific investigation and findings separate from the broader conduct complaint.

6. EVIDENCE AVAILABLE TO THE LECC

I am prepared to provide the LECC with the following upon request:

- Third-party video footage of the assault (held by my neighbour)
- Medical records from Prince of Wales Hospital, Randwick — including the special Medicare script obtained to replace my seized diabetic medication (I will sign the necessary consent/release form and provide it directly to your office)
- Pharmaceutical documentation confirming the medication is not listed on the PBS and the \$878.00 replacement cost
- Independent eyewitness details: Socrates Zidane Abdul Rahmahn Burazer, 0498 366 246
- 000 call recording from 9 January 2026
- Photographs and video of injuries sustained
- Complete email correspondence with Officer Anthony Agnew of Eastern Beaches PAC
- The outcome letter from A/Superintendent Paul Grace dated 25 January 2026 (attached)

7. OUTCOMES SOUGHT

I respectfully request the following from the LECC:

- An independent investigation into the conduct of the six attending officers, separate from and outside the Eastern Beaches Police Area Command
- That the six officers be stood down from active duty pending the outcome of that investigation
- Disclosure of the identities (names and badge numbers) of the six officers present at my residence on 9 January 2026

- Access to and independent review of all body-worn camera footage from the incident
- A specific investigation into the seizure of my diabetic medication on 9 January 2026 — including why it was taken, what became of it, why it was not returned, and who bears responsibility for the \$878.00 replacement cost incurred as a result
- A finding as to whether the internal complaints process conducted by Officer Agnew and A/Superintendent Grace met the required standard under the Law Enforcement Conduct Commission Act 2016 — including its complete failure to address the medication seizure

8. DECLARATION

I declare that the information provided in this complaint is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I am willing to participate fully in any investigation conducted by the LECC, provide sworn statements, attend interviews, and supply all documentary and physical evidence referenced above — including pharmaceutical records confirming the PBS status and replacement cost of my seized medication.

Yours faithfully,

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Attachment: NSW Police Force outcome letter — Complaint EXT2026-0413, dated 25 January 2026 (A/Supt Paul Grace, Eastern Beaches PAC)