

# NORTHERN TERRITORY POLICE ASSOCIATION MEDIA RELEASE

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## **Police Association Disappointed by Dismissal**

Mr Tim Lloyd, Acting President of the Northern Territory Police Association, has said that he and the NTPA are disappointed in the decision of Police Commissioner McRoberts to dismiss Constable Dennis Hogan over a low range BAC reading, as reported in today's NT News.

"This Association understands and fully supports the Commissioner's stance in ensuring standards of discipline are maintained at a very high standard, however it is the position of this Association that each case is deserving to be considered on its merits and that in this particular matter, it is the position of this Association that the facts do not support the action taken by Commissioner McRoberts.

"Flexibility in disciplining members is an important aspect of the relationship that must exist between the Commissioner and sworn Police members and it is unfortunate the Commissioner has taken an uncompromising line in this case. It is also important to set the public record straight at this stage by pointing out that some of the alleged 'facts' as reported in the NT News not attributed to quotes by the Commissioner have not been admitted to or in any way substantiated.

"I can confirm the member concerned will appeal the decision of the Commissioner and this Association will provide all the assistance we can to ensure he is reinstated to the Police Force."

Tim Lloyd  
A/President

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