



The Hon Barry O'Farrell MP

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PRIME MINISTER WRONG ON BIKIE LAW CLAIMS

NSW Premier Barry O'Farrell said today reports in the Daily Telegraph on national bikie laws are incorrect.

"The Prime Minister is wrong," Mr O'Farrell said.

"The NSW Government is very concerned at the lack of progress on a national approach to bikie laws and has consistently raised the issue," he said.

"The NSW Government spoke to those concerns at the November Standing Council on Law and Justice meeting, as well at the November Senior Officers meeting.

"I was so concerned at the lack of progress that in January this year I sought an urgent meeting with the Prime Minister, which she declined.

"The passing of bikie laws by the NSW Government last week demonstrates we are acting decisively on the issue.

"We wish the Gillard Government would treat the issue with the same urgency and importance.

"Instead of seeking to score cheap political points, the Federal Government should look at the facts and take action.

"Federal Labor is understandably embarrassed at Customs' failure following allegations a gun importation racket was being operated through the post – a ring which went undetected until the intervention of the NSW Police Force," Mr O'Farrell said.

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