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Senate Inquiry into Interactive Gambling Amendment (Gambling Reform) Bill 2026 and National Self-exclusion Register (Cost Recovery Levy) Amendment Bill 2026

Fact Sheet: Resourcing

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**Department resourcing**

- The department has a longstanding gambling policy function.
- Following the Prime Minister's announcement of reforms to address online gambling, this team was transitioned to a taskforce model.
- The taskforce was established in May 2026 and currently sits within the Digital Policy, Online Safety and Classification Division.
- The taskforce's current staffing profile includes an Assistant Secretary and a team of 7 FTE.
- The 2026-27 Budget provided for additional departmental ASL of 0.6 in 2025-26 and 2.0 in 2026-27, to support implementation of online gambling reforms.

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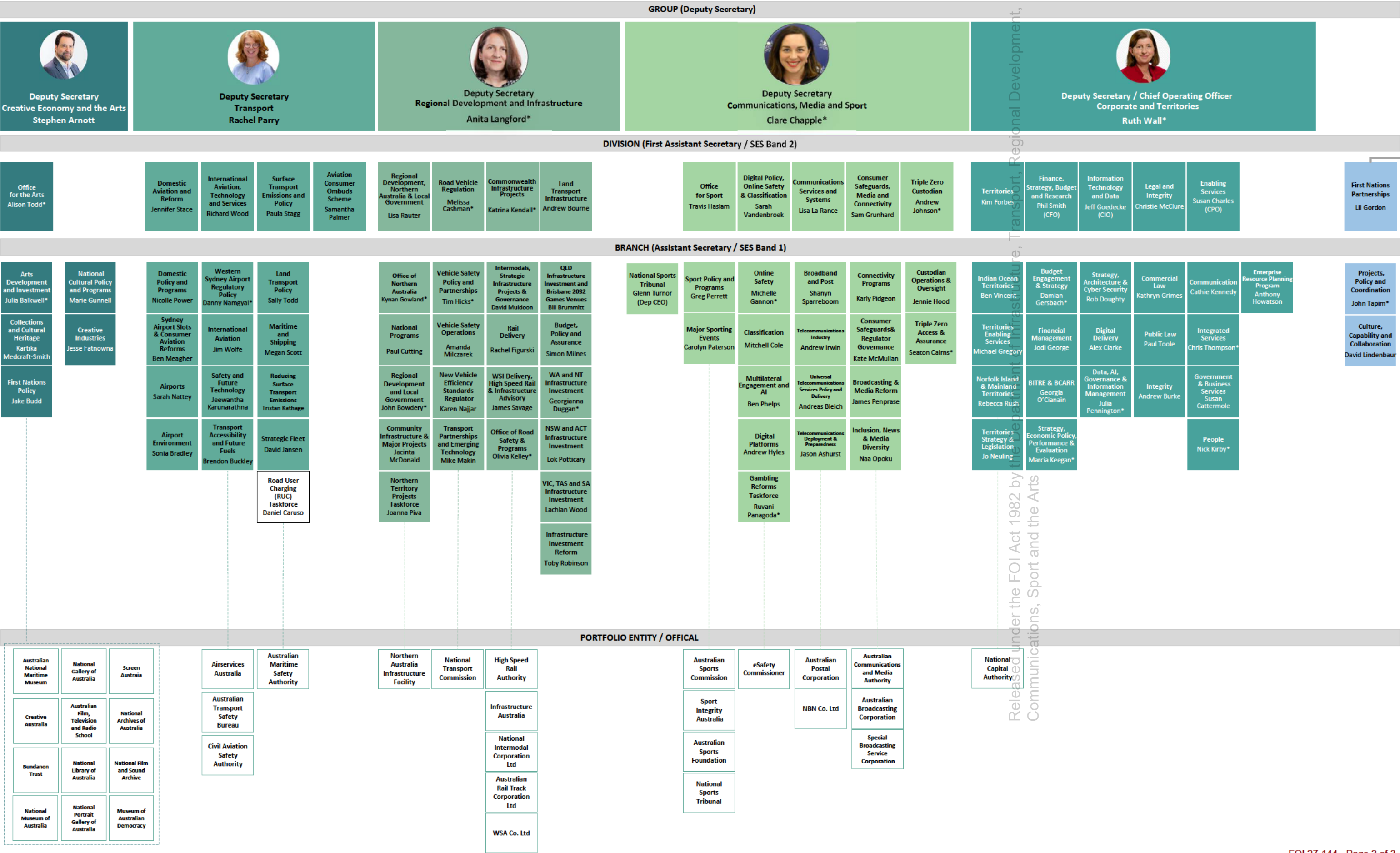


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Taskforce
Organisational structure
current as at 3 August 2026



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