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Dear *John*

On Monday April 11, 1994 the Motorcycle Riders Association of Australia Inc. (MRAA), the NSW Motorcycle Council (NSW MCC), the Ulysses Club and the Australia Motorcycle Council (AMC) met with the Federal Office of Road Safety (FORS) in Canberra. This was the third meeting of the Federal governments Motorcycle Consultative Group.

The Government has recognised that the above groups form the makings of a national umbrella group which represents the whole of the Australian Motorcycle community.

The Australian Motorcycle Council has member groups in Western Australia, South Australia, Tasmania and the ACT. It does not have any member groups from the TWO largest states who have the majority of licensed riders. Since 1992 the NSW MCC and MRAA have held talks with the AMC to form a truly National umbrella group with representatives from all states and territories of Australia. Both the MRAA and the NSW MCC have worked well together and are both currently conducting a public campaign together against the compulsory lights on issue.

We would prefer to work with the AMC in one national organisation but that does not seem possible at the present. The AMC does not often consult with the other Motorcycle groups when setting its policy, which is supposed to represent all motorcyclists nationwide.

We are very concerned when the National Road Safety Action Plan refers to the AMC when this group does not represent all states. The impression is given that the AMC represents the Australian motorcycle community in total.

Many motorcyclists have the impression that some Government officers and departments are playing one group off against all the others in an effort to weaken opposition to policies which will adversely effect riders.

We wish it known that the NSW MCC and MRAA had no input into the National Road Safety Action Plan and that the AMC does not represent our organisations.

If enquiries are to be made regarding laws (current or proposed) or views on those laws the relevant state groups should be contacted for their input.



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