



International Association of Prosecutors – Standards of Professional Responsibility

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In December 2008, the Director endorsed the International Association of Prosecutors (IAP) [Standards of Professional Responsibility and Statement of the Essential Duties and Rights of Prosecutors](#) (the Standards).

In making the decision to endorse the Standards, the Director said:

I am delighted to endorse the IAP standards. Although co-extensive with principles underpinning the Prosecution Policy of the Commonwealth, our endorsement is an important public statement of commitment to the highest standards in ethical prosecution. The endorsement is also reflective of our engagement in international capacity building. The latter advances and maintains the rule of law, which is in the national interest and consistent with a long standing interaction with, and support of, fellow independent prosecutors in the Pacific region.

The Standards generally reflect our current practices and cover a range of areas, such as disclosure, which are addressed in more general terms than in our policies.

These Standards have been endorsed by a number of the State and Territory DPPs and internationally.