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DAVID HUDSON APPOINTED DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF THE NSW POLICE FORCE

The Minister for Police and Emergency Services Michael Gallacher and the NSW Police Commissioner, Andrew Scipione, today announced the appointment of Assistant Commissioner David Hudson to the position of Deputy Commissioner, Corporate Services.

"Deputy Commissioner Hudson has proven his capabilities as the Acting Deputy Commissioner and his extensive experience working in crime agencies," Minister Gallacher said.

"The Government has been impressed in the way Mr Hudson has executed his duties since becoming Acting Deputy Commissioner and his skills and experience will only add strength to the executive team of the Police Force.

Mr Scipione said Deputy Commissioner Hudson will continue the good work he has been undertaking while acting in this role since October, 2012.

"I welcome David permanently to the executive team and the people of NSW can take great comfort in the strength and commitment he will continue to bring to the organisation," Mr Scipione said.

"David has demonstrated great leadership skills in the roles he has performed within the NSW Police Force and I am looking forward to working with him in his new position," Mr Scipione said.

Mr Hudson, whose career with the NSW Police Force spans 31 years, said he saw his new role as an extremely challenging one.

"I am really looking forward to this challenge," he said.

"The main focus of my role will be to ensure that the frontline and those who provide the specialist and corporate support to that frontline have the appropriate skills, resources and knowledge to enable police to focus on reducing crime and enhancing safety," Mr Hudson said.

Mr Hudson joined the force in 1981 and after spending time in general duties policing, he transferred to criminal investigations.

As a Detective Sergeant he performed duties as the Chief of Detectives at a number of inner-city patrols.

Between 1996 and 2001 he was the Crime Manager at four Local Area Commands, before taking up the post of Mount Druitt Local Area Commander in 2003.

In 2005 Mr Hudson was appointed as the Director of Operations of the Professional Standards Command and 12 months later was transferred to the State Crime Command as Manager, Operations.

Three years later in 2008 he was appointed Assistant Commissioner, Commander of the State Crime Command.

In this role he was responsible for the investigation of serious and organised crime in NSW.

Mr Hudson was responsible for restructuring the State Crime Command to give greater capability to investigate serious and organised crime and deliver intelligence services to the organisation.

Mr Hudson has held a number of responsibilities including:

- Chair of the Detectives Board and
- President of the Asia-Pacific chapter, FBI National Academy Associates.

"I wish Mr Hudson all the best as he undertakes his new role," Minister Gallacher concluded.

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