



New South Wales

## Commencement Proclamation

under the

Crimes Amendment Act 2007 No 38

MARIE BASHIR, Governor

I, Professor Marie Bashir AC, CVO, Governor of the State of New South Wales, with the advice of the Executive Council, and in pursuance of section 2 (2) of the *Crimes Amendment Act 2007*, do, by this my Proclamation, appoint 15 February 2008 as the day on which the uncommenced provisions of that Act commence.

Signed and sealed at Sydney, this 13th day of February 2008.

By Her Excellency's Command,



JOHN HATZISTERGOS, M.L.C.,

Attorney General

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

### Explanatory note

The object of this Proclamation is to commence the uncommenced provisions of the *Crimes Amendment Act 2007*. The provisions concerned relate to the following:

- (a) replacing "malicious" as a fault element for offences under the *Crimes Act 1900* with the modern fault element of "intention" or "recklessness",
- (b) replacing existing blackmail/extortion offences in that Act with offences based on the Model Criminal Code (and making a related consequential amendment),
- (c) ensuring that for all offences under that Act the infliction of grievous bodily harm includes causing a person to contract a grievous bodily disease,
- (d) extending the offence under that Act of breaking and entering dwelling-houses or certain other commercial or government buildings and committing (or intending to commit) a serious indictable offence to buildings of any kind.

BY AUTHORITY