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Statement from Chief Coroner Judge Deborah Marshall on deadline in coronial process for Christchurch Masjid attacks

A deadline has now been set for submissions to the coronial investigation into the Christchurch Masjid (mosque) Attacks.

While I am continuing to listen to and respond to the families affected by this tragedy, the next step in this information-sharing process is for unanswered questions to be identified and a decision made about opening an inquiry.

I am asking families of the Shaheed, victims of gunshot wounds and other interested parties to contact me about issues or concerns they consider have not been resolved by the prosecution process or the Royal Commission of Inquiry report by Wednesday 18 August 2021.

Matters that they think should be part of a coronial inquiry can be passed on through their lawyers, or by contacting the Office of the Chief Coroner directly. The preference for submissions is a brief outline of one or two paragraphs, in order to offer as many people as possible the chance to submit within the timeframe.

These submissions will help inform my decision on whether to hold a coronial inquiry and/or inquest.

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