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From CRAIG: "So confirming PTC in Canberra is a go"

See my first PTC draft below. It's in the script too of course.  
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1:02:08. Brittany: inside of Parliament House, it's its own unique AFP unit. And so, that act independently from the ACT Police and they're a branch of the Federal Police apparently. ... It was this automatic sort of series of events that had been triggered on the basis that there'd been a breach of security in the Minister's office.

#### **LISA PTC FROM APH 10-15 secs**

**If you're convicted of rape anywhere in Australia you can expect to get a jail term.**

**But here at Parliament House in March 2019, when Brittany Higgins told her boss that another senior colleague raped her on Minister Linda Reynolds' couch ...what happened?**

**As far as we know, there was no rush to call the Australian Federal Police.**

**Instead parliament's *own internal* police were left in charge.**

PROF GEORGE WILLIAMS 0:04:22

... Parliament jealously guards its protections, doesn't like outside interference and as a result, sets up systems and laws that preserve its ability to function free of interference.

#### **Constitutional lawyer Professor George Williams.**

0:05:58.7 .... it does mean we need to be wary sometimes because there's a lot of vested self-interest in making sure that politicians protect themselves, protect their party members and the like.

0:06:16.7 And that can be an impediment to actually getting just outcomes and the law enforced properly.

**Brittany was interviewed by the parliament house police unit.**

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