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PARRAMATTA NSW 2150**MEDIA STATEMENT****Sanoussi parole revoked prior to release**

The State Parole Authority has swiftly revoked parole prior to the release of a man convicted over a series of sexual assaults in Sydney after new information showed his intended post-release accommodation was unsuitable.

The Authority (SPA) met this morning after receiving a submission from Corrective Services NSW' (CSNSW) Community Corrections Division recommending the revocation of Mohamed Sanoussi's parole order.

CSNSW acted yesterday after police advised of the arrest and charge of a number of men on 4 September, two of whom live where Sanoussi, 29, was approved to reside on parole.

The Authority agreed with the CSNSW submission that the previously approved accommodation was not suitable in light of the new information.

SPA considers the revocation to be in the public interest and will continue to work closely with other authorities including CSNSW and the NSW Police Force to ensure community safety is given top priority in its decisions.

A public hearing to review Sanoussi's parole revocation will be held on 19 September 2013 at which SPA can consider further submissions.

Sanoussi has now served 13 years of a maximum 16-year sentence for his role in the sexual assaults in company which took place in 2000.

He has been refused parole by SPA three times since first becoming eligible when his 10-year non-parole period expired in 2010.

On the morning of 5 September, prior to receiving the new police information, SPA ordered Sanoussi's release from custody under 30 strict conditions no earlier than 25 September 2013.

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