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## COAG committee to implement Royal Commission's recommendations should be first order of Government business



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A working committee at the highest levels of state and federal government should be established to ensure the recommendations of the Royal Commission are implemented across all Australian government, non-government and religious institutions.

The CEO of the Catholic Church's Truth Justice and Healing Council, Francis Sullivan, has reiterated his call on the Prime Minister to announce today that that a Council of Australian Governments (COAG) committee be set up to implement the recommendations in the Royal Commission's final report.

Mr Sullivan says once the report is in the public domain, which is expected to be later today, all participants including the Catholic Church need to start working immediately on implementing its recommendations.

"These recommendations can't be left on the table, there needs to be a concerted, coordinated and determined approach to ensuring they become realities and don't just remain recommendations," Mr Sullivan said.

"And it is up to Prime Minister Turnbull to lead the way.

"The Prime Minister has to show that this report is going to be taken 100 per cent seriously, that it's not going to be put in a drawer," Mr Sullivan says.

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