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JANET KING RETURNS IN GRIPPING NEW SEASON

AACTA award winner Marta Dusseldorp reprises her lead role as the brilliant Senior Crown Prosecutor in **Janet King**, which commences production this week.

In this highly-anticipated second series, Janet is seconded from the DPP to lead a Royal Commission into a deadly upsurge in gun crime. Conscripting solicitors Richard Stirling (Hamish Michael) and Lina Badir (Andrea Demetriades), and the ambitious Owen Mitchell (Damian Walshe-Howling) as Counsel Assisting, and with coercive powers Detective Andy Campbell (Christopher Morris) can only dream of, Janet and her team peel back the complex layers of intrigue underpinning the illicit trade in weapons. Compelled by her own demons to expose the truth, Janet must confront political and personal enemies that will lead to a shocking reveal that threatens all she holds dear.

Completing the stellar cast are Peter Kowitz, Leah Purcell, Terry Serio, Philip Quast, Anita Hegh, Aaron Jeffrey, Genevieve Hegney, Nicholas Hope and Ewen Leslie.

Produced by Screentime, a Banijay Group company, **Janet King** is being series produced by Karl Zwicky, produced by Lisa Scott, with Hilary Bonney and Marta Dusseldorp as associate producers, and Greg Haddrick as executive producer. Written by Haddrick, Stuart Page, Niki Aken, Felicity Packard and Jane Allen, **Janet King** is being directed by Peter Andrikidis, Ian Watson and Grant Brown.

Screentime's Greg Haddrick said "**Janet King** resonated with audiences and critics alike, and we are delighted to be bringing back Australia's favourite Crown Prosecutor for an explosive second season."

Carole Sklan, Head of ABC TV Fiction said, "Marta Dusseldorp has become a much-loved presence on our screens, and we're thrilled to have her returning with this brilliant cast for such a compelling drama."

Produced in association with Screen NSW, **Janet King** is a Screentime production for ABC TV.

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