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Mr Julian Hill MP
Chair
Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit
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Dear Mr Hill

Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit Report 492, *Inquiry into Governance in the Stewardship of Public Resources*

I am writing in relation to the recommendation directed to the Australian National Audit Office (ANAO) contained in the JCPAA Report 492: *Inquiry into Governance in the Stewardship of Public Resources, associated with Auditor-General's Reports 11, 31, 39 (2019–20) and 2 and 9 (2020–21)*.

Recommendation 2

The Committee recommends that the Australian National Audit Office consider undertaking an audit of information governance frameworks in selected Commonwealth entities, with a focus on organisational culture, implementation of digital policy and/or record keeping.

ANAO Response:

The ANAO has included a proposed topic [Management of information assets](#) in the Annual Audit Work Program for 2022-23. If commenced, the audit would evaluate the efficiency with which the selected entities manage their information assets (records, information, and data). Specifically, the audit would determine if entities have assessed their records management needs, developed, and implemented frameworks and systems that adequately support records management, and implemented sound records management practises.

Yours sincerely

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