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Dear Committee Secretary

I write to express my support for the proposal to undertake major capital infrastructure works at RAAF Base Tindal including the RAAF Base Tindal Redevelopment Stage 6 Works and the United States Force Posture Initiatives RAAF Base Tindal Airfield Works. These works are currently subject to parliamentary approval.

Mr Shaun Drabsch, Chief Executive Officer of my Department of Trade, Business and Innovation, recently met with RPS Group, the Project Manager/Contract Authority for the RAAF Base Tindal works, and I understand the works include the construction of new living accommodation, squadron facilities and an air movements terminal, extending and widening airfield runways and taxiways and the upgrading of numerous other facilities and infrastructure. These works are expected to create more local jobs in Katherine and the wider Northern Territory.

I also understand that the Department of Defence has held a community information forum in Katherine and trust that the forum adequately addressed any community concerns that arose, as a result of the construction works.

I am pleased to support strongly any project that creates job opportunities in the Northern Territory.

Yours sincerely,

MICHAEL GUNNER

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