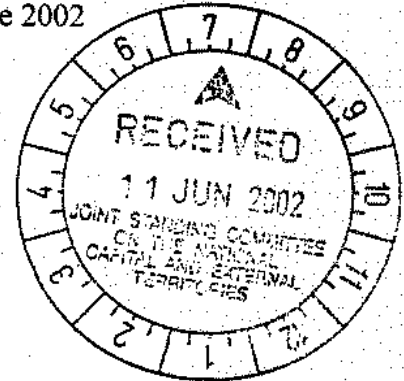


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The Secretary
Joint Standing Committee on the National Capital
And External Territories
House of Representatives
Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600



Dear Madam,

Re: Inquiry into Amendment 39 of the National Capital Plan

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the revised Amendment 39. As residents of the area concerned, my wife and I of course have an interest in matters which could affect the amenity and presentation of the area concerned, and in factors which could affect the value of our property.

We recognise and support the objective of the revised amendment, in the light of the uncertainties which could apply if planning control of the area was moved to the ACT Government, and we generally support the principles and policies set out.

We have two specific comments:

With regard to the Principles and Policies for sites fronting State Circle, we consider that a particular emphasis in the consideration of any redevelopment should be that it is of high quality, in terms of architectural design, construction, finish and presentation. While this is a matter of judgement rather than of definition, it will not be sufficient to rely solely on prescriptive requirements for building heights, materials etc.

With regard to Appendix N, we do not consider it reasonable to place an arbitrary limit on the number of home businesses per section. While in some cases limiting some types of home business to two per section might be appropriate, a larger number of a different type or types of home business might well be acceptable. Again, it will be a matter of judgement.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "G Anderson".

Graham Anderson

For G & B Anderson