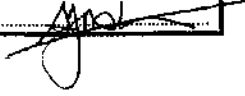


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Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters
Submission No. 160
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Secretary 

Dear Secretary,

We refer to the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters' present inquiry into the conduct of the 2004 election.

We wish to tender to the Committee two submissions that are relevant to this inquiry:

- i) the submission by Dr Graeme Orr to the Senate Finance and Public Administration Committee's inquiry into government advertising and accountability; and
- ii) our joint submission to the Committee's inquiry into the disclosure of donations to political parties and candidates.

Both submissions are attached.

The first submission is relevant to the Committee's inquiry because of the role of government advertising in the 2004 election campaign. The second submission is equally relevant because the framework governing donations to political parties and candidates has an obvious influence on the conduct of election campaigns.

We would also like to take the opportunity to urge the Committee to complete as soon as practicable its inquiry into the disclosure of donations to political parties and candidates.

Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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