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Dear Ms Donaldson,

ISR COMMENTS ON THE PUBLIC INTEREST DISCLOSURE BILL 2001

I refer to the letter from Senator Brett Mason of 6 September 2001 to Senator Nick Minchin, Minister for Industry, Science and Resources and the Hon Jackie Kelly MP, Minister for Sport and Tourism, inviting comments on the *Public Interest Disclosure Bill 2001*. I have been asked to respond.

Overall the Bill in its current form is considered to meet the aims of the proposed legislation. I have no comments on particular clauses.

I am the contact officer in the Department in relation to the Bill.

Yours sincerely

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