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MINISTER FOR REVENUE AND ASSISTANT TREASURER

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Mr C Armitage  
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Dear Mr Armitage

Thank you for your letter of 10 July 2006 on behalf of the American Australian Association (the Association), requesting the Association be specifically listed as a deductible gift recipient (DGR).

I am pleased to advise that the Government has agreed to specifically list the Association as a DGR from the date of this letter. Please note however, that the Association has been granted specific listing conditional on the Association notifying and seeking the approval of the Treasurer or his delegate, of any intended action to amalgamate with another entity under clause 15.3 of the Association's Constitution. In the event that this condition is breached, the Government may choose to withdraw the Association's DGR status.

You may also be aware that DGR specific listing involves a change in the tax law; in this case, an amendment to Division 30 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997* to include the Association for specific listing. Hence, while it is the Government's intention that the Association's specific listing will be effective from the date of this letter, this will be subject to the amending legislation being passed by Parliament.

The Government will introduce legislation as soon as practicable to give effect to this decision.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter Dutton'.

**PETER DUTTON**