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Michael

Dear Mr Bremnan

RE: Northern Territory Government Submission to the *Productivity Commission Study into Expenditure on Children in the Northern Territory.*

Enclosed is the Northern Territory Government's submission to the Productivity Commission's Study into Expenditure on Children in the Northern Territory.

The Northern Territory Government's submission is provided in the spirit of cooperation and in recognition of the importance of this Study to the Northern Territory. It is anticipated that the Study will result in practical recommendations to improve the coordination of planning and funding services for Northern Territory children and families.

The Northern Territory Government considers joint funding arrangements and improved coordination of services with the Australian Government as central to improving services to children and families, particularly children and families experiencing disadvantage and vulnerability.

If you have any questions about our submission or require further information please do not hesitate to contact Mr David Ah Toy. Executive Director, Reform Management Office

Yours sincerely

Ken Davies Chair Children and Families Standing Committee Northern Territory Government

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