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Productivity Commission
Collection Models for GST on Low Value Imported Goods
Canberra, ACT, 2600

GST on low value goods

Dear Commissioner,

my Senate Committee submission is attached.

I copied the following from your web site:-

In its 2011 assessment, the Commission found that applying the model to low value imported goods could generate significant GST revenue and promote tax neutrality, but would entail disproportionately high administrative and compliance costs and entail delays and disruptions to goods delivery (box 3).

I strongly disagree with the above statement. If the GST and even a notional Duty & processing charge is collected at the border as per my Senate Committee submission there will not be a high administrative charge. In fact I suspect that the administrative charge will be lower than for other models as the IT infrastructure is mostly in place. Compliance for the "border" module will certainly be far higher as will the collection rate.

For what it is worth.

Sincerely,

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