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Dear Dr Burns,

Thank you for coming out to our office on Friday 28 February 2014.

As discussed, in relation to the oath you took as a Minister, under the provisions of S38 of the Northern Territory of Australia (Self Government) Act 1978, we have been advised the following by the Solicitor General of the Northern Territory:

"It is beyond doubt that appearing to give evidence and/or produce documents before the Inquiry in pursuance of a summons does not and could not amount to a breach of the oaths or affirmations."

If you feel it necessary, you may wish to seek your own legal advice on this matter.

The Inquiry stands ready, as it has with other witnesses, to assist you in any way it can, in the provision of your testimony.

Should you have any questions please email me on [christopher.stewart@nt.gov.au](mailto:christopher.stewart@nt.gov.au) or phone (08)89 996 009.

Yours sincerely



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