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Eastern Precinct Development)

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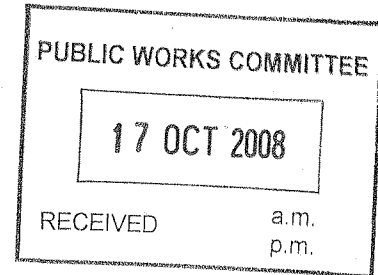
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Mr James Catchpole
Committee Secretary
Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works
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Dear Mr Catchpole

Thank you for your letter of 24 September 2008 inviting the ACT Government to make a submission to your committee's consideration of the proposal for new works at the Australian War Memorial.

I am advised that the proposed extent of the new works at the Eastern Precinct will be for the construction of a new National Service Memorial and significant improvements to public facilities and associated coach and car parking arrangements at the Australian War Memorial.

I note from the statement of evidence prepared by the Australian War Memorial for your committee that various ACT Government agencies were consulted during the preparation of the statement as well as ActewAGL and the National Capital Authority among others interested in such an important facility in Canberra.

In addition to any comments made by ACT Government agencies during consultations, I would like to ensure that there is minimal impact on surrounding road networks and residential areas during the construction period. I understand that the local community has been consulted and will be kept informed during the construction phase.

The new works detailed in the Australian War Memorial's submission will certainly lead to significantly enhanced facilities for the visiting public and the new underground car park will certainly improve the access for both cars and tourist coaches.

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I am pleased to support this proposal and congratulate the Australian War Memorial on its plans for its continuing development and promotion of this unique national institution which is such a significant icon for Canberra.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jon Stanhope', written in a cursive style.

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Chief Minister

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