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Mr Peter Harris
Proposed Registered Officer
Australia's Representatives
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Dear Mr Harris

Notice under section 131 of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918* (Electoral Act)

I refer to the application (the Application) from ten members of Australia's Representatives (the Party) to register the Party as a non-Parliamentary party under the provisions of the Electoral Act, received by the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) on 15 June 2021.

On 24 June 2021, the AEC wrote to the Party's proposed secretary acknowledging that all of the requirements for the Application had been received and processing had commenced to determine whether the Application met the requirements of Part XI of the Electoral Act. The AEC has completed its initial consideration of the Application for registration.

This letter constitutes a Notice under s 131(1) of the Electoral Act, which is issued when the AEC is of the opinion that it would be required to refuse to enter a logo of the party, but that the applicants might be prepared to vary it in such a way that may resolve the issues identified.

As a delegate of the Electoral Commission, I am therefore giving the applicants a notice under s 131 of the Electoral Act setting out the reasons as to why the Electoral Commission might refuse to enter the proposed logo.

Reason(s) for refusing to enter logo

The logo which was submitted with the application was assessed against the requirements of ss 126(2AB) and 126(2AA)(b) of the Electoral Act and the specifications described in s 5 of the *Commonwealth Electoral (Logo Requirements) Determination 2016* (the Determination).

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Terms of the provisions of ss 131(3) and 131(4)

Section 131(3) of the Electoral Act allows you to lodge with the AEC a written request signed by the applicants to:

- (a) vary the Application in the manner specified in the request;
- or
- (b) proceed with the Application in the form in which it was lodged.

The AEC is required under s 131(3) of the Electoral Act to comply with the request.

Please note that as registering a logo is an optional requirement for a new party application, the Party may elect to vary its application by advising the AEC it no longer wishes to register a logo.

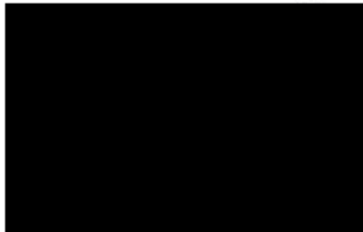
A form for lodging a written request under s 131(3) of the Electoral Act is on the AEC's website at:

https://www.aec.gov.au/Parties_and_Representatives/party_registration/files/forms/written-submission.pdf

Please note that the request for variation of the Application should be signed by all applicants. Under s 131(4) of the Electoral Act, when a written request is lodged to vary an application, the application as varied is to be treated for the purposes of this section as if it were a new application. This means that the varied application will be considered afresh to see if the amendments meet the requirements for registration under the Electoral Act.

If you have any further queries, contact the AEC on 02 6271 4552 or email your enquiry to fad@aec.gov.au as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely



Assistant Commissioner
Delegate of the Electoral Commission

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