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My submission is as an individual long-standing Internet user.

I support this Government initiative/program with no reservation at all. I have been using the Internet for over 25 years (since the time it was only available at a very low speed on a normal telephone line to the direct cable connexion). To me frequently it is frustrating how slow (or even impossible) currently is to download by direct cable important documents of a few tens of pages.

We should looking forward to what will be normal in ten-twenty years - if we do not this now, we will fall behind world's standards and to eventually catch up will be even more expensive. (For example, jJust today in Italy Agcom has announed its approval of the plan by Telecom to launch an optical fibre service, from what I understand, very similar to the NBN).

If private enterprises do not and do not want to do it, clearly it is a task of the Government. Relying on wireless technology is inadequate as it is shown by constant difficulties in fields of mobile telephony and satellite TV.

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