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Dear Maden

I refer to your letter to the Hon Jane Aagaard MLA, Speaker of the Northern Territory Legislative Assembly on 12 October 2005 advising of the most recent tabling of the *Convention in the Marking of Plastic Explosives for the Purpose of Detection* (Montreal, 1 March 1991) and the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography (New York, 25 May 2000) treaties tabled on 11 October 2005, and inviting comments as part of the review process undertaken by the Commonwealth Parliament's Joint Standing Committee on Treaties.

I advise that I do not have any adverse comments in relation to Australia's accession to the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography (New York, 25 May 2000).

Yours sincerely

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