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Chair  
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Dear Senator Smith

**Australian National Audit Office response to the Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit Report 467: Cybersecurity Compliance**

I am writing in relation to the recommendations directed to the Australian National Audit Office (ANAO) contained in the Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit (JCPAA) tabled Report 467, *Cybersecurity Compliance*.

**Recommendation 4:** The Committee recommends that the Auditor-General consider conducting an audit of the effectiveness of the self-assessment and reporting regime under the Protected Security Policy Framework.

**ANAO Response:**

The ANAO agrees to consider conducting an audit of the effectiveness of the self-assessment and reporting regime under the Protected Security Policy Framework (PSPF), noting that the PSPF has recently been reviewed and the revised framework is expected to commence from 1 July 2018.

**Recommendation 6:** The Committee recommends that in future audits on cybersecurity compliance, the ANAO outline the behaviours and practices it would expect in a cyber resilient entity, and assess against these.

**ANAO Response:**

The ANAO agrees to consider the inclusion of the assessment of cyber resilient behaviours and practices in the development of the ANAO's future program of work.

The ANAO has commenced an audit on Cyber Resilience that will examine selected

entities': arrangements for managing cyber risks (compliance with the Top Four and Essential Eight); monitoring and reporting against cybersecurity deliverables; and cyber resilience behaviours and practices. The audit is due to table in June 2018.

Yours sincerely

Grant Hehir

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