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Mr Michael Pezzullo AO
Secretary
Department of Home Affairs
4 National Circuit
BARTON ACT 2600

Dear Mr. Pezzullo,

As you are no doubt aware, representatives from the Department of Home Affairs have been invited to appear before the Senate Select Committee on Foreign Interference Through Social Media on Wednesday 12 July.

Please note that I intend to ask questions at that committee relating to the meeting on 10 May 2019 in China between officials from the Department of Home Affairs and Timothy Ma, Head of International Privacy and Data Protection at Tencent.

This meeting was referenced in response to question on notice OBE22-035 via the Senate Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs, answered on 16 December 2022.

It would assist the committee if officials representing the Department of Home Affairs at the hearings are in a position to answer questions relating to this meeting, and bring with them any relevant documents or information required to provide answers.

Your assistance with this request is appreciated.

Kind regards,

SENATOR JAMES PATERSON