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Dear Senator Smith

**Australian National Audit Office response to the Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit Report 465: Commonwealth Procurement**

I am writing in relation to the recommendations directed to the Australian National Audit Office contained in the Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit (JCPAA) tabled Report 465, *Commonwealth Procurement*.

**Recommendation 1:** The Committee recommends that the Department of Finance and the Australian National Audit Office work together to consolidate procurement guidance as it relates to corporate Commonwealth entities, to ensure such entities more strictly apply the Commonwealth Procurement Rules (CPRs) in developing and implementing their procurement policies and procedures.

**ANAO Response:** The Department of Finance has advised that they will conduct a review of the procurement guidance for corporate Commonwealth entities that are not subject to the Commonwealth Procurement Rules. The Australian National Audit Office is ready to assist the Department of Finance with this review.

**Recommendation 6:** The Committee recommends that the Australian National Audit Office consider conducting a third stage audit into the conduct of the OneSKY tender and any associated matters, once the contract for the entire acquisition and support scope has been executed, to complete its audit objective on this matter as set out in Audit Report No. 46 (2016-17)—in particular, criterion 3 of the audit objective.

**ANAO Response:** My office is currently progressing work on the annual audit work program, which is due to be published in July 2018. I will consider undertaking a third

stage audit of the conduct of the OneSKY tender as part of the 2018-19 annual audit work program.

**Recommendation 9:** The Committee recommends that the Australian National Audit Office consider conducting a performance audit of the next Department of Immigration and Border Protection procurement of garrison support and welfare services to determine whether lessons have been learnt and that the Commonwealth Procurement Rules have been followed.

**ANAO Response:** I will consider undertaking an audit of the Department of Immigration and Border Protection (now Department of Home Affairs) procurement of garrison support and welfare services as part of the 2018-19 annual audit work program.

Yours sincerely

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