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Committee Secretary  
Senate Standing Committees on Environment and Communications  
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Parliament House  
Canberra ACT 2600

**By email to: [ec.sen@aph.gov.au](mailto:ec.sen@aph.gov.au) / web upload**

Dear Committee Secretary,

**Re: Parliament of Australia  
Senate Committee  
Inquiry into the extent to which gaming micro-transactions for chance-based items, sometimes referred to as 'loot boxes', may be harmful  
  
Submission by way of letter of in principle support of the submission made by the Interactive Games & Entertainment Association (IGEA)**

The Esports Games Association Australia Limited ACN 624 508 845 (**EGAA**) is a newly incorporated body working with members from all stakeholders in the Australian esports industry on issues of mutual interest and importance. Our mission is to act for members to further professionalise and better self-regulate esports in Australia.

One key area of interest for our members is the approach to gambling on esports and any related impacts to integrity. In that regard, we have established a dedicated panel, the 'EGAA Gambling and Integrity Panel'. This panel is headed up by our Board Member, David Harris and co-led by gambling and entertainment law expert, Julian Hoskins, and sports integrity expert, Iain Roy.

Broadly, the EGAA works closely with and supports the overall mission of the IGEA, with a specific example being the involvement of the EGAA Gambling and Integrity Panel's review of and minor assistance with the IGEA's submission to the Senate Committee in relation to its inquiry (noted above).

By way of submission, the EGAA is, in principle, supportive of the IGEA's submission.

Further, we would be happy to work with and assist the IGEA on the provision of any further information in support of its submission, including attending any Senate hearing, so as to better assist your Committee in its inquiry.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any further information, clarification, or assistance.

Yours faithfully,

David Harris  
Director, EGAA

Julian Hoskins  
Co-leader, EGAA Gambling & Integrity Panel

On behalf of the EGAA Board:

Nick Vanzetti, Chair and Director  
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