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Dr Andrew Southcott MP
Committee Chair
Joint Standing Committee on Treaties
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Dr Southcott

Thank you for your letter of 9 August 2005 concerning the tabling of the following treaties in both houses of Parliament:

- *Treaty of Amity and Cooperation in Southeast Asia (Denpasar, 24 February 1976), as amended by the First Protocol amending the Treaty of Amity and Cooperation in Southeast Asia, (Manila, 15 December 1987), and the Second Protocol amending the Treaty of Amity and Cooperation in Southeast Asia, (Manila, 25 July 1998), With Exchange of Letters recording interpretation of key provisions (Canberra, 13 July 2005/Vientiane, 23 July 2005).*
- *Supplementary Agreement between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia concerning the Anglo-Australian Optical Telescope, at Siding Spring, New South Wales, Australia (Canberra, 9 August 2005).*

The Queensland Government has reviewed the above treaties and has not identified any issues of significant concern.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on these treaties.

Yours sincerely

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