

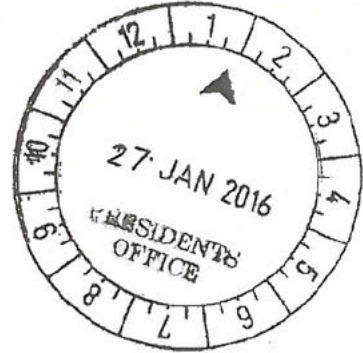


**THE HON TONY SMITH MP**  
**Speaker of the House of Representatives**

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Senator the Hon Stephen Parry  
President of the Senate  
Suite SG.40  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600



Dear Mr President

I am writing to seek your agreement to accommodating, in the Senate Wing on a temporary basis, the Member for North Sydney, Mr Trent Zimmerman.

As you may be aware, with the recent return of two Members from the Ministerial Wing, the House of Representatives does not have a vacant Member's Office in which to place Mr Zimmerman. Additionally, any other accommodation that is available (including that controlled by the Department of Parliamentary Services) does not provide the necessary facilities required by a Member of Parliament, nor is it at the standard of that expected for a Member of Parliament.

If you were agreeable to this proposal, I suggest that the Serjeant-at-Arms and the Usher of the Black Rod confer about the arrangements for temporarily housing Mr Zimmerman in the Senate Wing, including the arrangements for access and service provision.

Yours sincerely

**THE HON TONY SMITH MP**