



PRIME MINISTER

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The Hon Tim Smith QC
Chair
Accountability Round Table

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Dear Mr Smith

Thank you for your email dated 10 September 2014 regarding the Open Government Partnership.

My Government is continuing its consideration of progressing participation in the Open Government Partnership. I do not consider there is any need to rush that consideration. Australia has much to be proud of in its advancement of good governance and democracy.

I have noted the speech by the Right Honourable David Cameron MP referenced in your letter. I thank you for your views on this matter.

I have copied my reply to the Minister for Finance, Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann, who has responsibility for the Open Government Partnership.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'L. Smith', written over the typed name 'Yours sincerely'.