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AUSTRALIA - NOTICE OF INTENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE APEC CROSS BORDER PRIVACY RULES SYSTEM

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CC: Adrian Cheng APEC Secretariat

<u>LETTER OF INTENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE APEC CROSS BORDER</u> <u>PRIVACY RULES (CBPR) SYSTEM</u>

I am writing to inform you of Australia's intention to participate in the APEC CBPR System pursuant to Paragraph 2.2 of the "Charter of the APEC Cross-Border Privacy Rules System Joint Oversight Panel" (Charter).

I confirm that the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner, a Privacy Enforcement Authority in Australia, is a participant in the Cross Border Privacy Enforcement Arrangement (CPEA).

In addition, I confirm that Australia intends to make use of at least one APEC-recognized Accountability Agent subject to the procedures outlined in paragraph 6.2 of the Charter, once either an existing Accountability Agent has been chosen, or one has been otherwise approved.

Please find the following information attached to this letter:

- A narrative description of the relevant domestic laws and regulations which may apply to any CBPR certification-related activities of an Accountability Agent operating within Australia's jurisdiction and the enforcement authority associated with these laws and regulations (*Annex A*); AND
- The Completed APEC Cross-Border Privacy Rules System Program Requirements Enforcement Map (*Annex B*).

I would be happy to receive any enquiries regarding this Letter of Intent and accompanying documents, which should be directed to colin.minihan@ag.gov.au .

Yours faithfully

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