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The Honourable Clare O'Neil MP Minister for Home Affairs Minister for Cyber Security clare.oneil.mp@aph.gov.au

Dear Minister

Thank you for your letter to the former Premier and Minister for the Olympic and Paralympic Games, the Honourable Annastacia Palaszczuk MP, regarding proposed amendments to the Naval Shipbuilding (NS) Rules.

The Queensland Department of the Premier and Cabinet advised the Department of Home Affairs (DHA) that the letter was only received in December 2023. Therefore, it is understood that DHA has provided an extension for Queensland's consideration of the proposed amendments.

I note the proposed amendments to the NS Rules are based on feedback from responsible entities at South Australia's Osborne Naval Shipyard (ONS). I also note the advice that it is your intention to make amendments to the NS Rules at ONS, following the conclusion of this formal consultation.

I appreciate your consulting First Ministers on this matter in accordance with the *Security of Critical Infrastructure Act 2018* (Cth) and can advise that I have no issues to raise in relation to your proposal.

Again, thank you for writing on this matter.

Yours sincerely

STEVEN MILES MP PREMIER OF QUEENSLAND