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Dear Ms Christiansen

I refer to your letter of 28 June 2010 to the Hon Stephen Smith MP, Minister for Foreign Affairs, to which you were a joint signatory, asking Australia to support the adoption of a new standard on international aid transparency at the 7 July meeting of the IATI Steering Committee. I have been asked to reply on the Minister's behalf.

As you would know, the Steering Committee agreed to adopt a new standard at that meeting. Australia was supportive of this outcome.

AusAID is now working toward implementation of the new reporting requirements and a likely implementation date will be advised to the IATI Steering Committee once confirmed.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Peter Baxter'.

Peter Baxter

25 August 2010