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Dear Karin Christiansen

Thank you for your email of 28 July 2010 regarding New Zealand's support for agreements made on the International Aid Transparency Initiative (IATI) Standard at the 7 July Steering Group meeting in Paris.

New Zealand continues to be a firm supporter of the aid transparency commitments made at the High Level Forum in Accra in 2008 and at the launch of IATI. We continue to endorse the principles of IATI providing a way of meeting these commitments in a consistent and coherent manner.

As you note, New Zealand has played an active role in IATI and have committed to implementing Phase 1 of the IATI Standard by the end of 2010. We hope this will deliver considerable benefits, including timely publication of more aid data, in a common format that will make it more accessible to a wide range of stakeholders.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Murray McCully', written over a large, stylized blue scribble.

Hon Murray McCully
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