



**Minister for Finance  
Acting Assistant Treasurer**

Mr Clive F Palmer MP  
Leader of the Palmer United Party  
Member for Fairfax  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Mr Palmer

Thank you for your time and the very constructive discussions to resolve outstanding issues in relation to our Mining Tax Repeal package.

As we discussed, the Government is committed to repealing the mining tax because it is a bad tax for our economy, jobs and the Budget.

Subject to the agreement of the Palmer United Party and Senator Muir on behalf of the Australian Motoring Enthusiasts Party to this revised Mining Tax Repeal Package and to facilitating its efficient passage through the Senate, we will support the following adjustments to the original Mining Tax Repeal legislation, to:

- Confirm the Income Support Bonus until 31 December 2016;
- Confirm the current Schoolkids Bonus until 31 December 2016, but apply a means test, so that only families on incomes of up to \$100,000 per annum would qualify;
- Confirm the Low Income Super Contribution in its existing form until 30 June 2017;
- Achieve higher take-home pay for employees pre-retirement and lower costs for business helping them employ more Australians by increasing the compulsory super rate to 10 percent from 1 July 2021 and by 0.5 percent per year from 1 July 2022 until we reach 12 percent.

The Government will also support a Parliamentary Joint Select Committee to investigate the establishment of an Australia Fund consistent with the terms of reference outlined in the Australia Fund Bill 2014 and a Joint Select Committee to inquire into any measures to further boost Australia's trade and investment performance.

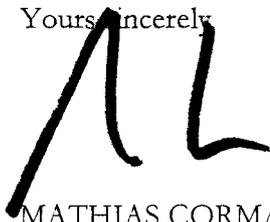
On behalf of the Government, I appreciate your advice that on this basis all Palmer United Party Senators and Senator Muir from the Australian Motoring Enthusiasts Party will be in a position to support our Mining Tax Repeal Package as amended as per the above.

The Government appreciates the very constructive approach taken by the Palmer United Party in helping to remove the Mining Tax in a fiscally responsible way.

This agreement will help to build a stronger more prosperous economy and to create more jobs.

I have copied this letter to the Prime Minister, the Treasurer, the Leader of the Government in the Senate, the Leader of the House and the Manager of Government Business in the Senate.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of the letters 'M' and 'C' in a stylized, cursive font.

MATHIAS CORMANN

**2** September 2014