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Ms Toni Walkington General Secretary Civil Service Association of WA Inc 445 Hay Street PERTH WA 6000

Dear Ms Walkington

Thank you for your letter dated 10 February 2017 regarding discussions with the Department of Commerce to replace the Public Service and Government Officers General Agreement and eight associated agreements.

I confirm the Public Sector Wages Policy Statement 2016 continues to apply to these negotiations and that the Government parties are committed to achieving timely replacement of the GA7 agreements. I also understand that the clarification of claims is underway in accordance with normal practice. In the event that delays in any replacement agreements can be substantially attributed to the Caretaker period, that matter will be considered by the Government when authorising parameters for an offer to be made.

I am advised that the relevant information on the forecasting and funding of a 1.5 per cent salary increase has been provided in the course of the ongoing discussions.

Yours sincerely

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