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cc. Regulatory Reform Unit

Dear Ms Mrakovcic

**Regulation Impact Statement – Second Pass – Tobacco Excise and Excise Equivalent
Customs Duty Staged increases and reduction in the duty-free threshold**

Thank you for the second pass RIS for final assessment relating to tobacco excise and excise equivalent customs duty staged increases.

The Office of Best Practice Regulation's (OBPR) final assessment is that the Department is compliant with the Australian Government's RIS requirements and is consistent with best practice. This assessment is based on your letter of 16 August 2016 certifying that the RIS responds to the OBPR's first pass final assessment comments. I note the change in regulatory burden has been agreed with the OBPR.

We would appreciate you advising us when a decision on this proposal is announced and forwarding a final copy of the RIS and your certification letter in accessible format for publication on the OBPR's website.

Please retain this letter as a record of the OBPR's advice. Our reference number for this matter is 20564. If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Simovski'.

Tony Simovski
A/g Deputy Executive Director
Office of Best Practice Regulation
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