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Mr. John Reid
First Assistant Secretary, Government Division
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Dear Mr Reid,

We welcome the Government of Australia's participation in the Open Government Partnership (OGP), which now comprises 78 countries and 76 local governments working to implement open government commitments to promote greater transparency, accountability and citizen engagement in policy-making.

This letter is to inform you that as of the deadline of 31 December 2021, the Support Unit has not received Australia's 2021-23 Action Plan, and therefore has acted contrary to the OGP process. The Government of Australia is also now considered to have started a new action plan cycle.

Please be mindful that in 2021 the Steering Committee approved new Participation and Co-creation Standards that all OGP participating countries will have to observe. As per the new standards, your new Action Plan has to be delivered before 31 December 2022 in order to avoid acting contrary to the OGP process again. Governments that act contrary to process for two consecutive cycles are placed under review by the OGP Steering Committee, which involves enhanced support to resolve the issues that led to being placed in that status. Guidance materials for the new standards will be available soon.

The OGP Support Unit and Steering Committee stand ready to support you in whatever way would be useful. Please do not hesitate to contact the Support Unit if you have any questions regarding this notification.

Yours sincerely,



Sanjay Pradhan
Chief Executive Officer

