

## **Australian Government**

## Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

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Mr Roger Clarke Chairman Australian Privacy Foundation GPO Box 1196 SYDNEY NSW 2001

Dear Mr Clarke

Thank you for your letter of 13 May 2008 to the Prime Minister regarding a privacy-protective smartcard-based scheme. I have been asked to reply on the Prime Minister's behalf.

As the issue raised in your correspondence falls within the portfolio responsibilities of the Minister for Human Services, Senator the Hon Joe Ludwig, I have referred your correspondence to Senator Ludwig for his attention and direct response.

Yours sincerely

Nick Hartland Assistant Secretary

Social Support, Immigration and Citizenship