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Mag. Christian Stoeger and Ms Marie-Odile Dorer  
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Dear Mag. Stoeger and Ms Dorer

I understand there is strong interest in Mr Assange's case and a depth of community sentiment.

The Australian Government has been clear in its view that Mr Assange's case has dragged on for long enough. There is nothing to be gained from Mr Assange's ongoing incarceration.

Australia cannot intervene in the legal or court proceedings of another country, but the Australian Government has put forward its very strong view that this matter should be brought to a close, allowing Mr Assange to return home.

The Prime Minister and Foreign Minister have personally raised this issue with the US and UK governments. The Government is also engaging closely with Mr Assange and his legal team. We will continue to do this.

On 15 February the Government supported a motion in the House of Representatives underlining "the importance of the UK and USA bringing the matter to a close so that Mr Assange can return home to his family in Australia".

The Foreign Minister has asked the High Commissioner to the United Kingdom to continue to convey Australia's expectations that Mr Assange is entitled to due process, humane and fair treatment, access to proper medical care and access to his legal team. The Australian Government will continue to provide consular support to Mr Assange.

The Prime Minister and Foreign Minister will continue to raise this matter at appropriate levels.

Thank you for your correspondence.

Yours sincerely

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