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Dear [REDACTED]

Lottoland Australia Proprietary Limited

I am writing in relation to Lottoland Australia Pty Ltd ('Lottoland'), a provider of online gambling services licenced in the Northern Territory.

The Interactive Gambling Amendment (Lottery Betting) Act 2018 (the Act) came into effect on 9 January 2019, legislating a nationwide prohibition on lottery betting services (including betting on keno-type lotteries) under the Commonwealth Interactive Gambling Act 2001 (the IGA).

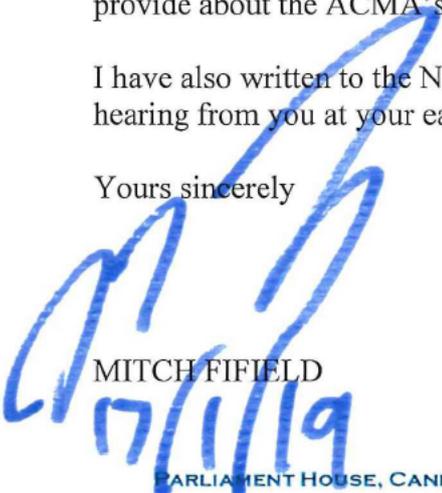
I understand that following the commencement of the Act, Lottoland has ceased to offer Australian consumers lottery betting services and has introduced new 'jackpot betting' products. These products are described on Lottoland's website as involving betting on the outcome of financial markets.

A concern has been raised with me as to whether Lottoland's new service complies with the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 (IGA).

Consistent with the Australian Communication and Media Authority's (the ACMA's) functions under the Australian Communications and Media Authority Act 2005, including to monitor and report to me on the operation of various Acts including the IGA, I would appreciate your response in relation to this issue, including any information that you can provide about the ACMA's intended next steps.

I have also written to the Northern Territory Government about this matter. I look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely


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