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Dear Greg

At our meeting of 11 November, we briefly discussed that matter of call signs for foundation licensees, who can now use digital modes under the amended Amateur LCD.

In that meeting, you expressed some concerns about a survey conducted by RASA, which canvassed options for call sign structures. We have also been copied into some correspondence between RASA and the WIA about the matter.

As I am told Nicholas has made you aware, and as we reiterated on 11 November, this is not a regulatory matter, and the ACMA's preference is to facilitate an option on which the amateur community is able to reach some consensus.

We have received some advice from RASA about the outcomes of its survey, which point to there being support for a particular call sign structure. We encourage the WIA either to re-engage with RASA on an agreed approach, or, if need be, to put forward its own case for a preferred structure.

Our preference is to have a settled position on a call sign structure by end of year.

Kind regards

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