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Good afternoon Section 47f

Greetings from what is turning into a disappointingly short summer in Canberra!

The Australian Electoral Commission is interested in scheduling an initial meeting with Twitter to build on the productive collaboration we had during 2022 and to highlight the change in scope between the federal election and the proposed referendum which could take place later this year. I understand that you must be getting contacted from multiple directions at present within Australian government, however hopefully we can work here to consolidate at least some of that thematically for you over the coming months.

In terms of agenda – we're eager to hear about any recent or pending changes to Twitter that may be of significance to an electoral and/or referendum event. Similarly, we'll provide an overview of our preliminary plans to ensure referendum integrity through engagement with the [Electoral Integrity Assurance Taskforce](#) (EIAT) and discuss elements of our communications and public engagement strategy. Of course, we'll seek to re-establish the appropriate enquiry and/or referral lines for electoral issues that may arise on your platform.

As you would be aware, the AEC chairs the EIAT – a cross-Government cooperation between agencies on matters relating to electoral integrity – and we would look to hold future meetings between Twitter and representatives of Taskforce agencies as plans for the proposed referendum fall into place.

If you could advise, at your earliest convenience, a preferred representative/s from Twitter to attend these meetings, that would be much appreciated. We'll then seek to confirm an appropriate time to schedule a Teams meeting.

We of course note that Twitter is undergoing significant change at present and appreciate the opportunity to confirm our continued engagement and collaboration, in support of maintaining accurate electoral and referendum information.

Kind regards

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