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**From:** EIAT  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 14 February 2023 11:51 AM  
**To:** Section 47F EIAT  
**Cc:** Section 47F  
**Subject:** RE: AEC Engagement for the Proposed Referendum [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hi

Apologies for the delay in getting back to you, I've been on leave for the past few days. Thank you for taking the time to look over the agenda - I'll soon update the calendar appointment with it. Regarding the Google/IFES partnership, we are interested in hearing more about it, however, please rest assured the focus of tomorrow's meeting will be on the proposed referendum. We can certainly appreciate this is only a recent announcement and new information may become available in due course.

Looking forward to speaking with you tomorrow.  
Kind regards,

**Section 47F | Project Officer**  
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**From:** Section 47F  
**Sent:** Friday, 10 February 2023 2:59 PM  
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Dear

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Many thanks for your email and sharing this proposed agenda. I will lead on the Google update and I will endeavour to find out more about the International Foundation for Election Systems.

Looking forward to speaking next week.

Kind regards

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On Thu, 9 Feb 2023 at 10:34, EIAT <[EIAT@aec.gov.au](mailto:EIAT@aec.gov.au)> wrote:

Good morning

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I hope you've been well. Please find attached a proposed agenda for our meeting next Wednesday 15 February. We're hoping to have a short update from Google and I've proposed a few topics we'd be interested in hearing about. If, however, you feel any of these would be best covered as a standalone meeting or in a written brief then we're of course happy to help arrange this. Also happy to receive advice on who from your team would be best to lead on the Google update.

Once confirmed, I'll include the agenda in our calendar appointment.

Many thanks for your help and please don't hesitate to let me know if you have any questions or concerns, I'd be glad to discuss them.

Kind regards,

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From: Section 47F

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Hi Section 47F

Great to virtually meet you and for contacting us about this important matter. We'd love to have a discussion about the referendum and I can confirm that Wednesday 15 Feb works well for us. Please send through an invitation for MS Teams.

Kind regards

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On Tue, 31 Jan 2023 at 12:54, EIAT <[EIAT@aec.gov.au](mailto:EIAT@aec.gov.au)> wrote:

Good afternoon all,

The Australian Electoral Commission are currently preparing for the proposed referendum on a Voice to Parliament, currently being considered by Government.

Given it could take place in the second half of this year, and we enjoyed productive engagement in the lead up to the recent federal election, the AEC are interested in scheduling an initial meeting with Google to highlight the change in scope between these two events.

I've noted one potential meeting times below that would work for the AEC;

- Wednesday, 15 February 10:00am -11:00am

If you could advise, if this window would suit yourselves and/or other Google representatives, I'll make arrangements for a Microsoft Teams meeting. Of course, very glad to discuss alternative times if the above option don't suits. Should you happen to be in Canberra and available, you would of course be welcome to join us here at the National Office for the meeting.

A proposed agenda will follow – but happy to work with you on any specific items you may wish to raise.

We appreciate the opportunity to confirm our continued collaboration and look forward to hearing from you soon.

Kind regards,

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