

Australian Government

Department of the Environment and Heritage

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Dear Mr Smith

DOFA/Sale or lease of Commonwealth property/Canberra/ACT/Land Divestment, Block 13, Section 9, Barton, ACT (bounded by Blackall Street, Broughton Street, Macquarie Street) (EPBC 2005-2453)

Thank you for the above referral, received on 29 November 2005, for decision whether or not approval is needed under Chapter 4 of the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (EPBC Act).

The referral has now been considered under the EPBC Act and I have decided that the action is not a controlled action. Approval is therefore not needed under Part 9 of the Act before the action can proceed.

A copy of the document recording my decision is attached for your information. I have written separately to Mr Harding of the Department of Finance and Administration to advise of my decision.

Yours sincerely

Ms Alex Rankin Assistant Secretary

Environment Assessment Branch

22. December 2005

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION AND BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION ACT 1999

DECISION THAT ACTION IS NOT A CONTROLLED ACTION

I, ALEX RANKIN, Assistant Secretary, Environment Assessment Branch, Department of the Environment and Heritage, a delegate of the Minister for the Environment and Heritage for the purposes of section 75 of the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999, decide that the proposed action, set out in the Schedule, is not a controlled action.

SCHEDULE

The proposed action to divest land known as Block 13, Section 9, Barton, ACT (bounded by Blackall Street, Broughton Street, and Macquarie Street), Canberra. ACT, and as described in the referral received under the Act on 29 November 2005 (EPBC 2004/2453).

Dated this

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DECEMBER

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ASSISTANT SECRETARY

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE