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To whom it may concern,

I would feel safer if road safety for cyclists was taken seriously. On December 26, 2017, I was cycling along the Uriarra circuit at 8am in the am, a driver in a SUV tried to pull out as I was cycling down the hill towards Uriarra crossing. When I gasped, the female driver swore at me and menaced me in her vehicle. I have not cycled on that road since and while very happy to cycle in rural Victoria and NSW when able given lockdowns related to Covid, do not cycle on the road in the ACT unless it is a group event with partial road closures. I am a small female and simply do not feel safe cycling in the ACT.

With regards,

Carolyn.