THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

LETTER FROM THE CHIEF MINISTER TO THE A.C.T. OMBUDSMAN IN RELATION TO A.C.T. OMBUDSMAN QUARTERLY REPORTS



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Michael

Dear Mr Manthorpe

I write in relation to ACT Ombudsman Quarterly updates provided to the Speaker of the ACT Legislative Assembly.

I understand the Speaker wrote to you on 10 December 2019 acknowledging that on receipt of ACT Ombudsman Quarterly updates, the Speaker had routinely asked the Chamber Support Office to arrange for the reports to be tabled in the Legislative Assembly pursuant to section 21 of the Ombudsman Act 1989. The reports were tabled pursuant to section 21 despite being prepared under section 3.5 of the Service Agreement between the Commonwealth Ombudsman and the **ACT Government**

I write to confirm that as the reports were not intended to be tabled under section 21, the Government will not be preparing government responses as required by that provision.

Thank you for your assistant in this matter.

Yours sincerely

Andrew Barr MLA **Chief Minister**

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