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MLA
Chair, Standing Committee on Health,
Ageing and Community and Social Services
Legislative Assembly, ACT

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Dear Chris,

Inquiry into the sourcing and supply of dental appliances and prostheses from overseas used by the dental profession in the ACT.

I refer to your earlier letter of 19 August 2014 in relation to the above inquiry and your subsequent invitation for me to appear as a witness before the Committee next week.

In our earlier submission to the inquiry, we mentioned that our President, Mr John Rogan, would be attending a meeting of the International Federation of Denturists (IFD) and would seek information about overseas experience in this area. Mr Rogan attended that meeting early in October. From his discussions, it appears that a similar situation is being faced in the overseas countries represented at that meeting. The European members of the IFD are anticipating that there will be some approaches made to the EU try to stop the practice, but they feel that these approaches are unlikely to achieve any change in current practice.

As we do not have any further material to add to our submission at this time, I do not plan on appearing before the committee in person. However, I would welcome the opportunity to provide additional material or have further discussions with the Committee if there are any specific areas or matters that arise during the course of the public hearing or subsequent deliberations by the Committee.

Yours sincerely



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