From: Foster, Stephanie < Stephanie. Foster@pmc.gov.au>

Sent: Monday, 9 March 2020 3:10 PM

To: Rush, Peter < Peter.Rush@pmc.gov.au>

**Cc:** Reid, John <John.Reid@pmc.gov.au>; \$ 22(1)(a)(ii) @pmc.gov.au>; Gaetjens, Phil

<Phil.Gaetjens@pmc.gov.au>

**Subject:** Re: Health portfolio arangements [SEC=OFFICIAL:Sensitive]

Peter, that's great, thanks. My instinct is that we wouldn't refer to the leadership group, just his own judgement, but I'll wait until I talk to Phil before we make any changes and send to JK.

Cheers, and thanks for quick turnaround.

S.

Stephanie Foster

**Deputy Secretary Governance** 

Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

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On 9 Mar 2020, at 2:30 pm, Rush, Peter < Peter.Rush@pmc.gov.au> wrote:

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Stephanie, as discussed, please find attached drafts of letter and instrument, for your review. I have also copied to John and for cross-check. Once we are all satisfied with drafts, we can arrange with DLOs to print on correct paper, submit to PM for signature of letter (PM does not sign his own instrument) and deliver to Govt House for GG consideration and signature of instrument. I presume John Kunkel is across this matter? We should give Paul Singer a heads up, too. Cheers - Rush

### **Peter Rush** | Assistant Secretary

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**Sent:** Friday, 13 March 2020 6:08 PM

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Stephanie Foster Deputy Secretary Governance Head APS Reform

# Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

t: s 22(1)(a)(ii) m: s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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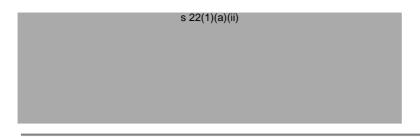
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Signed and sealed with the Great Seal of Australia on March 2020

Governor-General



From: Reid, John

**Sent:** Friday, 13 March 2020 8:03 PM **To:** Singer, Paul <paul.singer@gg.gov.au>

Cc: Rush, Peter (PMC) <Peter.Rush@pmc.gov.au>

**Subject:** Governor-General's documents [SEC=OFFICIAL:Sensitive]

Importance: High

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#### Paul,

As discussed this evening, just for your advance notice, attached are electronic versions of the two documents for morning.

I will have hardcopies of the signed letter (scanned and printed, I'm afraid), and the instrument for the Governor-General's signature.

Cheers,

JR

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John Reid PSM | First Assistant Secretary

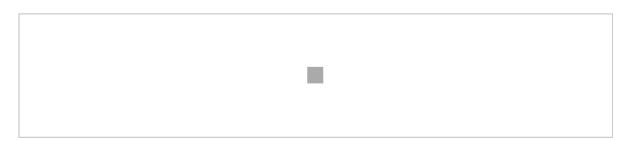
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Sent: Friday, 13 March 2020 8:51 PM

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**Subject:** Re: Health portfolio arangements [SEC=PROTECTED]

Nope. I've spoken with Govt House; the GG is happy to use the scanned and printed version I have with me.

Cheers,

JR

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<Simon.Duggan@pmc.gov.au>

**Subject:** FW: Health portfolio arangements [SEC=PROTECTED]

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PRIME MINISTER

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SCOTT MORRISON

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From: Reid, John

Sent: Saturday, 14 March 2020 11:31 AM

To: Duggan, Simon <Simon.Duggan@pmc.gov.au>

Cc: s 22(1)(a)(ii) < s 22(1)(a)(ii) @pm.gov.au>; s 22(1)(a)(ii) < s 22(1)(a)(ii) @pm.gov.au>; Foster,

Stephanie (PMC) <Stephanie.Foster@pmc.gov.au>; Rush, Peter (PMC)

<Peter.Rush@pmc.gov.au>

**Subject:** RE: Health portfolio arangements [SEC=PROTECTED]

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All,

The instrument has now been signed by the Governor-General. The Prime Minister is now sworn to administer the Department of Health.

Cheers,

JR

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**Sent:** Monday, 16 March 2020 3:21 PM

**To:** s 22(1)(a)(ii) (PMO) < s 22(1)(a)(ii) @pm.gov.au>; s 22(1)(a)(ii) (PMO)

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Subject: FW: Letter and appointment instrument 13 March 2020 [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Importance: High

#### **OFFICIAL**

<sup>s 22(1)(a)(ii)</sup> et al,

As requested by \$22(1)(a)(ii) attached is the instrument and letter pertaining to the PM's appointment to the Health portfolio on Sat.

Cheers,

JR

From: s 22(1)(a)(ii) < s 22(1)(a)(ii) @pmc.gov.au>
Sent: Monday, 16 March 2020 3:20 PM

**To:** Reid, John <John.Reid@pmc.gov.au>; Rush, Peter <Peter.Rush@pmc.gov.au>

Subject: Letter and appointment instrument 13 March 2020 [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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# APPOINTMENT OF MINISTER OF STATE

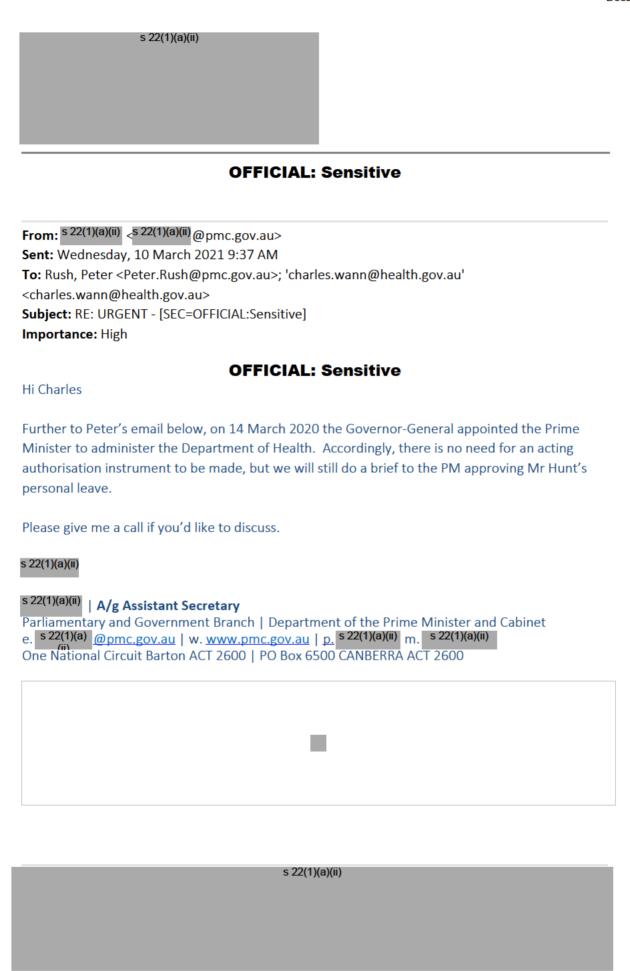
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From: Reid, John

Sent: Monday, 30 March 2020 1:39 PM
o: Singer, Paul <paul.singer@gg.gov.au>

Cc: Rush, Peter (PMC) <Peter.Rush@pmc.gov.au>; \$ 22(1)(a)(ii) (PMC) < \$ 22(1)(a)(ii) @pmc.gov.au>

**Subject:** Letter and draft instrument for consideration [SEC=PROTECTED]

Importance: High

#### **PROTECTED**

Paul,

As discussed this morning, attached is an Instrument and letter signed by the PM moments ago.

Thank you for confirming that the Governor-General is available at 4:00pm to consider the Instrument. I look forward to seeing you then; I'll have hardcopies of the letter and Instrument with me.

Regards, John

John Reid PSM | First Assistant Secretary

**Government Division** 

Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

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The Department acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of Country throughout Australia and their continuing connection to land, waters and community. We pay our respect to their Cultures, Country and Elders both past and present.



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s 22(1)

This Instrument has now been signed by the GG. I'll get it sealed in the morning, and will provide you with an electronic copy.

The PM is now sworn to administer:

- The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet
- The Department of Health
- The Department of Finance

Cheers,

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Hi Peter,

Please see attached for signed letter. The original will be packaged and provided to the department.

Cheers, s 22(1)

From: Rush, Peter < Peter.Rush@pmc.gov.au > Sent: Monday, 30 March 2020 12:23 PM

To: s 22(1)(a)(ii) < s 22(1)(a)(ii) @pm.gov.au>

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Importance: High

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s 22(1)(a) (ii)

As you discussed with John R, please find attached soft copies of paperwork for PM to be appointed to administer the Dept of Finance.

- 1. Letter from PM to GG. 2 versions:
  - a. To be printed on PM's letterhead.
  - b. With letterhead in soft copy for printing as is.

To be signed by PM and dated

2. Instrument (we will print it on goatskin here, no need for PM to sign, just GG)

I have copied DLOs in case they can be of assistance with printing etc.

Please scan letter once signed by PM, and email to us.

We will then take copy of letter and instrument out to GG for signing, then back to PM&C at One National for application of Great Seal.

Cheers - Rush

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From: Rush, Peter

Sent: Monday, 30 March 2020 7:14 PM

Subject: RE: Finance portfolio arrangements [SEC=OFFICIAL:Sensitive]

#### **OFFICIAL:Sensitive**

No hurry, no worries, thanks 22(1)(a)(ii). We got an advance scan from 22(1)(a)(ii), date stamped it and JR took it plus instrument to GG this arvo. It is all signed and will be sealed tomorrow! Just drop the hard copy in the usual run. Cheers - Rush

From: DLO @pm.gov.au>

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Subject: RE: Finance portfolio arrangements [SEC=OFFICIAL:Sensitive]

#### **OFFICIAL:Sensitive**

Apols Rush (8 s 22(1)(a) ) – weird headset happenings

Date stamped copy now attached – and I have hard copy here for you

et me know if you need it tonight and I can drop it in (I'm heading off shortly - yiew!) - otherwise we'll send it down in first rush

Cheers

Senior Departmental Liaison Officer

Office of the Prime Minister, the Hon Scott Morrison MP

MG 8, Parliament House, Canberra ACT 2600

m. s 22(1)(a)(ii)

s 22(1)(a)(ii) @pmc.gov.au

From: Reid, John < John.Reid@pmc.gov.au>

Sent: Monday, 30 March 2020 4:31 PM

To: s 22(1)(a)(ii) @pm.gov.au>; Rush, Peter < Peter.Rush@pmc.gov.au>

Cc: DLO (apm.gov.au>; s 22(1)(a)(ii) < s 22(1)(a)(iii) (apmc.gov.au>; s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Subject: RE: Finance portfolio arrangements [SEC=OFFICIAL:Sensitive]

#### **OFFICIAL:Sensitive**

s 22(1)(a) (ii)

This Instrument has now been signed by the GG. I'll get it sealed in the morning, and will provide you with an electronic

The PM is now sworn to administer:

- The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet
- The Department of Health
- The Department of Finance

Cheers,

JR

**From:** s 22(1)(a)(ii) < s 22(1)(a)(ii) @pm.gov.au>

Jent: Monday, 30 March 2020 1:31 PM

To: Rush, Peter < Peter. Rush@pmc.gov.au>

Cc: Reid, John < John.Reid@pmc.gov.au>; DLO 547E(d) @pm.gov.au>

s 22(1)(a)(ii) @pmc.gov.au>

Subject: RE: Finance portfolio arrangements [SEC=OFFICIAL:Sensitive]

Hi Peter,

Please see attached for signed letter. The original will be packaged and provided to the department.

From: Rush, Peter < Peter. Rush@pmc.gov.au> Sent: Monday, 30 March 2020 12:23 PM

To: s 22(1)(a)(ii) < s 22(1)(a)(ii) @pm.gov.au>

c: Reid, John <John.Reid@pmc.gov.au>; DLO @pm.gov.au>; s 22(1)(a)(ii) @pmc.gov.au> s 22(1)(a)(ii) s 22(1)(a)(ii)

@pmc.gov.au>

Subject: Finance portfolio arrangements [SEC=OFFICIAL:Sensitive]

Importance: High

#### OFFICIAL:Sensitive

s 22(1)(a)

As you discussed with John R, please find attached soft copies of paperwork for PM to be appointed to administer the Dept of Finance.

- 1. Letter from PM to GG. 2 versions:
  - a. To be printed on PM's letterhead.
  - b. With letterhead in soft copy for printing as is.

To be signed by PM and dated

2. Instrument (we will print it on goatskin here, no need for PM to sign, just GG)

I have copied DLOs in case they can be of assistance with printing etc.

Please scan letter once signed by PM, and email to us.

We will then take copy of letter and instrument out to GG for signing, then back to PM&C at One National for application of Great Seal.

Cheers - Rush

From: Rush, Peter

Sent: Friday, 13 March 2020 5:40 PM
To: s 22(1)(a)(ii) @pm.gov.au> Cc: Reid, John < John.Reid@pmc.gov.au>

Subject: FW: Health portfolio arangements [SEC=OFFICIAL:Sensitive]

### OFFICIAL:Sensitive

From: Foster, Stephanie < Stephanie.Foster@pmc.gov.au >

Sent: Monday, 9 March 2020 4:38 PM

To: Kunkel, John < John. Kunkel@pm.gov.au>

Cc: Rush, Peter < Peter.Rush@pmc.gov.au >; Reid, John < John.Reid@pmc.gov.au >; Gaetjens, Phil

<Phil.Gaetjens@pmc.gov.au>

**Subject:** Health portfolio arangements [SEC=OFFICIAL:Sensitive]

### **OFFICIAL:Sensitive**

John, as promised, with thanks to Rush. Let us know if you want changes.

Cheers, Stephanie.

Stephanie Foster Deputy Secretary Governance Head APS Reform Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

m: s 22(1)(a)(ii)



# 3 0 MAR 2020

His Excellency General the Hon David Hurley AC DSC (Retd) Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia Government House CANBERRA ACT 2600

# Your Excellency

I am writing to recommend additional administrative arrangements in the Finance portfolio. The severity of the Coronavirus crisis requires that we are prepared for all eventualities.

In the event that the Minister for Finance, Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann, is unavailable to exercise his significant powers as Finance Minister, I consider it would be appropriate for another senior Minister to be able to exercise these in an emergency.

To facilitate this contingency, I recommend that you appoint me, in addition to my existing appointments, to administer the Department of Finance.

An instrument to give effect to this recommendation is attached, for your signature.

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From: Reid, John

Sent: Wednesday, 1 April 2020 12:39 PM

To: Rush, Peter < Peter.Rush@pmc.gov.au>; s 22(1)(a)(ii) < s 22(1)(a)(ii) @pmc.gov.au> Subject: RE: Instrument of appointment - Morrison - Finance [SEC=OFFICIAL:Sensitive]

## **OFFICIAL:Sensitive**

Absolutely!

From: Rush, Peter < Peter.Rush@pmc.gov.au> Sent: Wednesday, 1 April 2020 12:38 PM

To: Reid, John <John.Reid@pmc.gov.au>; \$ 22(1)(a)(ii) <\$ 22(1)(a)(ii) @pmc.gov.au>

Subject: RE: Instrument of appointment - Morrison - Finance [SEC=OFFICIAL:Sensitive]

#### **OFFICIAL:Sensitive**

Sealed?

From: Reid, John < John.Reid@pmc.gov.au>
Sent: Wednesday, 1 April 2020 12:13 PM
To: s 22(1)(a)(ii) < s 22(1)(a)(iii) @pmc.gov.au>
Cc: Rush, Peter < Peter.Rush@pmc.gov.au>

Subject: Instrument of appointment - Morrison - Finance [SEC=OFFICIAL:Sensitive]

# **OFFICIAL:Sensitive**

s 22(1) (a)(ii)

For records and file, here are the letter and instrument appointing the PM to administer the Dept of Finance.

I'll put hardcopies in my safe for now.

Cheers,

JR

John Reid PSM | First Assistant Secretary

**Government Division** 

# Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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The Department acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of Country throughout Australia and their continuing connection to land, waters and community. We pay our respect to their Cultures, Country and Elders both past and present.



His Excellency General the Alon David Hurley AC DSC (Retd)
Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia
Government House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Your Excellency

I am writing to recommend additional administrative arrangements in the Finance portfolio. The severity of the Coronavirus crisis requires that we are prepared for all eventualities.

In the event that the Minister for Finance, Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann, is unavailable to exercise his significant powers as Finance Minister, I consider it would be appropriate for another senior Minister to be able to exercise these in an emergency.

To facilitate this contingency, I recommend that you appoint me, in addition to my existing appointments, to administer the Department of Finance.

An instrument to give effect to this recommendation is attached, for your signature.

Yours sincerely
s 22(1)(a)(ii)

SCOTT MORRISON

30 MAR 2020



# APPOINTMENT OF MINISTER OF STATE

I, DAVID JOHN HURLEY, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, pursuant to section 64 of the Constitution, hereby appoint SCOTT JOHN MORRISON, a member of the Federal Executive Council, to administer THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE.

> Signed and sealed with the Great Seal of Australia on **30** March 2020

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Governor-General s 22(1)(a)(ii)



From: Trease, Roland

Sent: Monday, 12 April 2021 1:23 PM

To: s 22(1)(a)(ii) < s 22(1)(a)(ii) @pm.gov.au>
Cc: s 22(1)(a)(ii) s 22(1)(a)(ii) @pmc.gov.au>

Subject: FW: DISER appointment paperwork [SEC=PROTECTED, CAVEAT=SH:CABINET]

# PROTECTED//CABINET

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From: Rush, Peter

Sent: Monday, 12 April 2021 12:55 PM

To: s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Cc: DLO; Reid, John; Foster, Stephanie; Trease, Roland; Duggan, Simon; Pullen, Victoria; Pullen,

David

**Subject:** DISER appointment paperwork [SEC=PROTECTED, CAVEAT=SH:CABINET]

# PROTECTED//CABINET

s 22(1)(a): as requested, please find attached paperwork for appointment of the PM to administer DISER.

(PDMS is currently off line. We will load briefing package on PDMS once it is back up and working.)

Cheers,

#### **Peter Rush**

Assistant Secretary | Parliamentary and Government Branch
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# PROTECTED CABINET

PDR: MS21-000XXX

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Phone no:

PM&C Secretary Ms Foster Mr Duggan Mr Reid Mr Chisholm Mr Rush Mr Trease

PMO Dr Kunkel s 22(1)(a)(ii) s 22(1)(a)(ii)

# DEPARTMENT OF THE PRIME MINISTER AND CABINET

To: Prime Minister (for signature)

Assistant Secretary

12 April 2021

Parliamentary and Government Branch

# APPOINTMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, SCIENCE, ENERGY AND RESOURCES

	Recommendation – that you:					
	If you wish to do so, sign the letter to the Governor-General, proposing your appointment to administer the Department of Industry, Science, Energy and Resources and enclosing an Instrument of Appointment for his signature (Attachment A).					
	Signed / Not Signed					
	SCOTT MORRISON Date:					
	Comments:					
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Κŧ	ey Points:					
1.	Your Office has requested documents to appoint you to administer the Department of Industry, Science, Energy and Resources.					
2.	While it is somewhat unusual for the Prime Minister to be appointed to administer departments outside of the Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio, there is no constitutional barrier to doing so.					
	a. There are precedents: during 2020 at the start of the COVID-19 pandemic you were appointed to administer the Department of Health and the Department of Finance.					
3.	As this change is of an administrative nature only, you do not need to subscribe an Oath of Office.					
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	s 22(1)(a)(ii)					
Pe	eter Rush Policy Officer: s 22(1)(a)(ii)					

# **ATTACHMENTS**

ATTACHMENT A LETTER TO THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL AND INSTRUMENT OF APPOINTMENT

His Excellency General the Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Retd) Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia Government House CANBERRA ACT 2600

Your Excellency

I write to recommend a change to the appointment arrangements for one Minister and to provide the document necessary to implement the change, for your consideration.

My recommendation is for you to appoint me, as Prime Minister, to administer the Department of Industry, Science, Energy and Resources to allow me to be the responsible Minister for matters within that Portfolio, if and when required.

As this change is of an administrative nature only, I would not need to subscribe an Oath of Office.

Yours sincerely

**SCOTT MORRISON** 



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I, DAVID JOHN HURLEY, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, pursuant to sections 64 and 65 of the Constitution, hereby direct and appoint SCOTT JOHN MORRISON, a member of the Federal Executive Council, to administer THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, SCIENCE, ENERGY AND RESOURCES.

Signed and sealed with the Great Seal of Australia on April 2021

Governor-General

5	s 22(1)(a)(ii)

From: DLO 47E(d) @pm.gov.au>

Sent: Monday, 12 April 2021 8:10 PM

To: 22(1)(a)(ii) 22(1)(a)(ii) @pmc.gov.au>

Cc: DLO 47E(d) @pm.gov.au>; Outgoing Items 22(1)(a)(ii) @pmc.gov.au>; 22(1)(a)(ii) @pm.gov.au>; 22(1)(a)(ii) @pm.gov.au>; 22(1)(a)(ii) @pm.gov.au>; 22(1)(a)(ii) @pm.gov.au>; 22(1)(a)(ii) @pm.gov.au>; Rush, Peter

<Peter.Rush@pmc.gov.au>; Chisholm, James <James.Chisholm@pmc.gov.au>; Pullen, David <David.Pullen@pmc.gov.au>; Reid, John <John.Reid@pmc.gov.au>; Duggan, Simon <Simon.Duggan@pmc.gov.au>; Foster, Stephanie <Stephanie.Foster@pmc.gov.au>; Pullen, Victoria <Victoria.Pullen@pmc.gov.au>; S22(1)(a)(ii) @pmc.gov.au>

Subject: SIGNED MS21-000639- Appointment to the Department of Industry, Science, Energy and Resources [SEC=PROTECTED, CAVEAT=SH:CABINET]

#### PROTECTED//CABINET



The Prime Minister has signed the attached brief and letter.

Hard copy to return to PMC.

Thanks,



s 22(1)(a)(ii) | Departmental Liaison Officer

Office of the Prime Minister, the Hon Scott Morrison MP

MG 8, Parliament House, Canberra ACT 2600
p. s 22(1)(a)(ii) | m. s 22(1)(a)(ii)
e. s 47E(d) @pm.gov.au | s 22(1)(a)(ii)



I, DAVID JOHN HURLEY, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, pursuant to sections 64 and 65 of the Constitution, hereby direct and appoint SCOTT JOHN MORRISON, a member of the Federal Executive Council, to administer THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, SCIENCE, ENERGY AND RESOURCES.



Signed and sealed with the Great Seal of Australia on

15 April 2021 s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Governor-General \$ 22(1)(a)(ii)

PDR: MS21-000XXX

# DEPARTMENT OF THE PRIME MINISTER AND CABINET

PM&C Secretary Ms Foster Mr Duggan Mr Reid Mr Chisholm Mr Rush Mr Trease

**To:** Prime Minister (for signature)

PMO Dr Kunkel s 22(1)(a)(ii) s 22(1)(a)(ii) APPOINTMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, SCIENCE, ENERGY AND RESOURCES

Recommendation – that you:
1. If you wish to do so, sign the letter to the Governor-General, proposing your appointment to administer the Department of Industry, Science, Energy and Resources and enclosing an Instrument of Appointment for his signature (Attachment A).  Signed / Not Signed  SCOTTMORKISON  Date:
Comments: (a)(ii)

## **Key Points:**

- 1. Your Office has requested documents to appoint you to administer the Department of Industry, Science, Energy and Resources.
- 2. While it is somewhat unusual for the Prime Minister to be appointed to administer departments outside of the Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio, there is no constitutional barrier to doing so.
  - a. There are precedents: during 2020 at the start of the COVID-19 pandemic you were appointed to administer the Department of Health and the Department of Finance.
- 3. As this change is of an administrative nature only, you do not need to subscribe an Oath of Office.



Peter Rush Assistant Secretary Parliamentary and Government Branch 12 April 2021 Policy Officer: s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Phone no: s 22(1)(a)(ii)

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

ATTACHMENT A LETTER TO THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL AND INSTRUMENT OF APPOINTMENT



#### PRIME MINISTER

Reference: MS21-000639

## 12 APR 2021

His Excellency General the Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Retd) Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia Government House CANBERRA ACT 2600

## Your Excellency

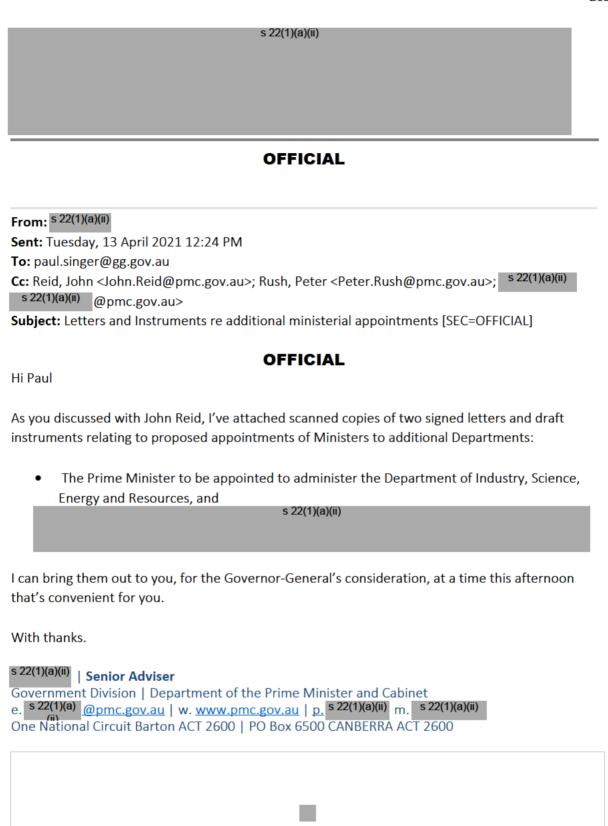
I write to recommend a change to the appointment arrangements for one Minister and to provide the document necessary to implement the change, for your consideration.

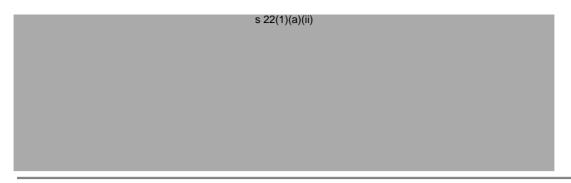
My recommendation is for you to appoint me, as Prime Minister, to administer the Department of Industry, Science, Energy and Resources to allow me to be the responsible Minister for matters within that Portfolio, if and when required.

As this change is of an administrative nature only, I would not need to subscribe an Oath of Office.

Yours sincerely s 22(1)(a)(ii)

SCOTT MORRISON





From: s 22(1)(a)(ii)

**Sent:** Tuesday, 13 April 2021 9:36 AM

**To:** s 22(1)(a)(ii) s 22(1)(a)(ii) @pmc.gov.au>

**Subject:** RE: Appointment to Trsy, HA \$ 22(1)(a)(ii) [SEC=PROTECTED, CAVEAT=SH:CABINET]

## PROTECTED//CABINET



Great work on these – many thanks and I agree with your assessments on the three acts.

I've made some minor changes to the three attachments, can you (or please put them into pdms and assign to me?

#### Thanks



**Sent:** Monday, 12 April 2021 4:15 PM **To:** \$ 22(1)(a)(ii) \$ 22(1)(a)(ii) @pmc.gov.au>

**Subject:** Appointment to Trsy, HA s 22(1)(a)(ii) [SEC=PROTECTED, CAVEAT=SH:CABINET]

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Hi s 22(1)(a)(

As discussed, please see attached the paperwork required to action these requested appointments.

For your information, I'm not aware of any limitations arising from definitions in the legislation that would prevent the PM from exercising the powers of the 'Minister', consistent with Section 19 of the Acts Interpretation Act (which operates so that a reference in a provision of an Act to a specific Minister will, where that provision is administered by that specific Minister, include all Ministers appointed to administer the Department administered by the specific Minister.)

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Happy to discuss
Happy to discuss.
Thanks, s 22(1)(a)(i)
s 22(1)(a)(ii)   Adviser
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PDR: MS21-000XXX

PM&C Secretary Ms Foster Mr Duggan Mr Reid Mr Chisholm Mr Rush Mr Trease

PMO Dr Kunkel s 22(1)(a)(ii) s 22(1)(a)(ii)

# DEPARTMENT OF THE PRIME MINISTER AND CABINET

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

To: Prime Minister (for signature)

APPOINTMENT TO ADMINISTER

	HOME AFFAIRS; AND THE TR	EASURY			
	Recommendation - that:				
	1. If you wish to do so, sign the letter to the Governor-General (Attachment A), proposing your appointment to administer and the Department of Home Affairs; and the Department of the Treasury; and enclosing an Instrument of Appointment for the Governor-General's signature				
	(Attachment B).				
	Sign	ned / Not Signed			
	SCOTT MORRISON Date:				
	Comments:				
Κŧ	Key Points:				
1.	1. Your Office has requested documents to appoint you to administer the Home Affairs; and the Treasury.	22(1)(a)(ii)			
2. While it is somewhat unusual for the Prime Minister to be appointed to departments outside of the Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio, there is barrier with doing so.					
	a. There are precedents: during 2020 at the start of the COVID-19 pandem appointed to administer the Department of Health and the Department of	_			
	<ul> <li>On 12 April 2021 you signed a similar letter and instrument to the Gove His Excellency General the Hon David Hurley AC DSC, regarding your to administer the Department of Industry, Science, Energy and Resource</li> </ul>	r appointment			
3.	3. As this change is of an administrative nature only, you do not need to subsc Office.	ribe an Oath of			
A	Peter Rush Assistant Secretary Parliamentary and Government Branch April 2021  Peter Rush Policy Officer: \$ 22(1)(a)(ii) Phone no: \$ 22(1)(a)(iii)	s 22(1)(a)(ii)			

# **ATTACHMENTS**

ATTACHMENT A LETTER TO THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL

ATTACHMENT B INSTRUMENT OF APPOINTMENT

Reference:

His Excellency General the Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Retd) Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia Government House CANBERRA ACT 2600

## Your Excellency

I write to recommend a change to the appointment arrangements for one Minister and to provide the document necessary to implement the change, for your consideration.

My recommendation is for you to appoint me, as Prime Minister, to administer: \$22(1)(a)(ii) ; the Department of Home Affairs; and the Department of the Treasury, to allow me to be the responsible Minister for matters within these Portfolios, if and when required.

As this change is of an administrative nature only, I would not need to subscribe an Oath of Office.

Yours sincerely

SCOTT MORRISON



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I, DAVID JOHN HURLEY, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, pursuant to sections 64 and 65 of the Constitution, hereby direct and appoint SCOTT JOHN MORRISON, a member of the Federal Executive

Council, to administer

\$ \( 22(1)(a)(ii) \)

THE DEPARTMENT OF HOME AFFAIRS and THE DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY.

Signed and sealed with the Great Seal of Australia on April 2021

Governor-General

#### **PROTECTED**

From: Reid, John <John.Reid@pmc.gov.au>
Sent: Wednesday, 21 April 2021 2:47 PM

To: Gaetjens, Phil < Phil. Gaetjens@pmc.gov.au>

Cc: Duggan, Simon <Simon.Duggan@pmc.gov.au>; Millar, Caroline

<Caroline.Millar@pmc.gov.au>; Frame, Alison <Alison.Frame@pmc.gov.au>; Foster, Stephanie

<Stephanie.Foster@pmc.gov.au>; Rush, Peter <Peter.Rush@pmc.gov.au>

**Subject:** Cross-swearing of Prime Minister [SEC=PROTECTED]

#### **PROTECTED**

Phil, Deputies,

For your awareness.

This morning GovDiv was asked for urgent papers to be prepared (today) to cross-swear the PM to the portfolios of Home Affairs and Treasury. We have this afternoon provided the necessary paperwork (letter to the GG and proposed instrument of appointment). This can all be done on the papers, and would not require a ceremony or publicity.

We are advised the Treasury swearing relates to FIRB, and the Home Affairs swearing relates to decisions on citizenship loss.

For note, should the GG accept the PM's recommendation and make the appointment, the PM will be sworn to six of the 14 portfolios (PM&C, Finance, Treasury, Health, DISER, and Home Affairs).

Cheers,

JR

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**John Reid PSM** | First Assistant Secretary

**Government Division** 

Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

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s 22(1)(a)(ii)

From: DLO s 47E(d) @pm.gov.au>

**Sent:** Monday, 3 May 2021 6:51 PM **To:** s 22(1)(a)(ii) < s 22(1)(a)(ii) @pmc.gov.au>

<s 22(1)(a)(ii) @pm.gov.au>; Pullen, Victoria <Victoria.Pullen@pmc.gov.au>; Foster, Stephanie
<Stephanie.Foster@pmc.gov.au>; Frame, Alison <Alison.Frame@pmc.gov.au>; Millar, Caroline
<Caroline.Millar@pmc.gov.au>; Duggan, Simon <Simon.Duggan@pmc.gov.au>; Reid, John
<John.Reid@pmc.gov.au>; Rush, Peter <Peter.Rush@pmc.gov.au>

**Subject:** MS21-000645 - Appointment to administer the Departments of Home Affairs and the Treasury [SEC=PROTECTED, CAVEAT=SH:CABINET]

## PROTECTED//CABINET



The Prime Minister has signed the attached letter and brief.

I will send down the hard copy.

Kind regards,

s 22(1)(a)(ii)

s 22(1)(a)(ii) | Senior Departmental Liaison Officer

Office of the Prime Minister, the Hon Scott Morrison MP

MG 8, Parliament House, Canberra ACT 2600



PDR: MS21-000645

PM&C Secretary Ms Foster Ms Frame Ms Millar Mr Duggan Mr Reid

#### PMO Dr Kunkel s 22(1)(a)(ii) s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Mr Rush

## DEPARTMENT OF THE PRIME MINISTER AND CABINET

To: Prime Minister

# APPOINTMENT TO ADMINISTER THE DEPARTMENTS OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE TREASURY

Recommendation - that:				
1. Sign the letter to the Governor-General, His Excellency General the Hon David Hurley AC DSC (Retd), at Attachment A, proposing your appointment to administer the Department of Home Affairs and the Department of the Treasury, and enclosing an Instrument of Appointment for the Governor-General's signature.				
s 22(1)(a)(ii)	Signed / Not Signed			
s 22(1)(a)(ii) SCOTT MORRISON Date:	224-21			
Comments:				

## **Key Points:**

- 1. Your Office has requested documents to appoint you to administer the Department of Home Affairs and the Department of the Treasury.
- 2. While it is somewhat unusual for the Prime Minister to be appointed to administer departments outside of the Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio, there is no constitutional barrier to doing so.
  - a. There are precedents: during 2020 at the start of the COVID-19 pandemic you were appointed to administer the Department of Health and the Department of Finance.
  - b. On 15 April 2021 the Governor-General, His Excellency General the Hon David Hurley AC DSC (Retd) appointed you to administer the Department of Industry, Science, Energy and Resources.
- As this change is of an administrative nature only, you do not need to subscribe an Oath of Office.

John Reid PSM First Assistant Secretary Government Division April 2021 Policy Officer: | s 22(1)(a)(ii) | Phone no: | s 22(1)(a)(ii) | s 22(1)(a)(ii) |

## **ATTACHMENTS**

ATTACHMENT A LETTER TO THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL

ATTACHMENT B INSTRUMENT OF APPOINTMENT



Reference: MS21-000645

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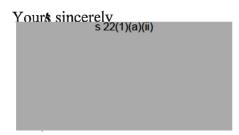
His Excellency General the Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Retd) Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia Government House CANBERRA ACT 2600

# Your Excellency

I write to recommend two changes to the appointment arrangements for one Minister and to provide the document necessary to implement the changes, for your consideration.

My recommendation is for you to appoint me, as Prime Minister, to administer the Department of Home Affairs and the Department of the Treasury, to allow me to be the responsible Minister for matters within these portfolios, if and when required.

As this change is of an administrative nature only, I would not need to subscribe an Oath of Office.



SCOTT MORRISON



I, DAVID JOHN HURLEY, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, pursuant to sections 64 and 65 of the Constitution, hereby direct and appoint SCOTT JOHN MORRISON, a member of the Federal Executive Council, to administer THE DEPARTMENT OF HOME AFFAIRS and THE DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY.



Signed and sealed with the Great Seal of Australia on May 2021

Governor-General s 22(1)(a)(ii)