

## Hayhurst, Justin

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**From:** Griffiths, Paul <Paul.Griffiths@dfat.gov.au>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 29 May 2019 7:18 AM  
**To:** Hayhurst, Justin; Macdonald, Angela  
**Cc:** Millar, Caroline; Wilcock, Greg; Maude, Richard  
**Subject:** FW: Signed letter to Barr 28 May 2019 for your records [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]  
**Attachments:** 28052019101431-0001.pdf

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Justin, Angela

HOM letter to Attorney General Barr today. s 47E(d)  
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Regards

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Paul Griffiths  
Minister-Counsellor Political  
Australian Embassy Washington  
1601 Massachusetts Avenue NW  
Washington DC 20036-2273  
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**From:** s 22(1)(a)(ii)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 28 May 2019 10:15 AM  
**To:** Griffiths, Paul <Paul.Griffiths@dfat.gov.au>  
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EMBASSY OF AUSTRALIA  
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**AMBASSADOR**

28 May 2019

The Honorable William P. Barr  
Attorney General of the United States  
Department of Justice  
950 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
Washington D.C 20530-2001

Dear Attorney General,

I refer to President Trump's announcement on 24 May that you will investigate the origins of the Federal Bureau of Investigations probe into Russian links to the 2016 US election.

I note that the President referred to Australia, the United Kingdom and the Ukraine as potential stakeholders. Moreover, I note that he has declassified intelligence material to support your investigation.

The Australian Government will use its best endeavours to support your efforts in this matter. While Australia's former High Commissioner to the United Kingdom, The Hon. Alexander Downer, is no longer employed by the Government, we stand ready to provide you with all relevant information to support your inquiries.

The Acting White House Chief of Staff, The Honorable Michael Mulvaney, has been copied on this letter.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Joe Hockey'.

The Hon Joe Hockey

Cc The Honorable Michael Mulvaney, Acting White House Chief of Staff.

**From:** [Hayhurst, Justin](#)  
**To:** [Millar, Caroline](#)  
**Cc:** [Macdonald, Angela](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Tweet by Chris Uhlmann on Twitter  
**Date:** Tuesday, 1 October 2019 12:32:07 PM

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Letter is now online

Justin Hayhurst  
First Assistant Secretary  
International Division  
Prime Minister & Cabinet

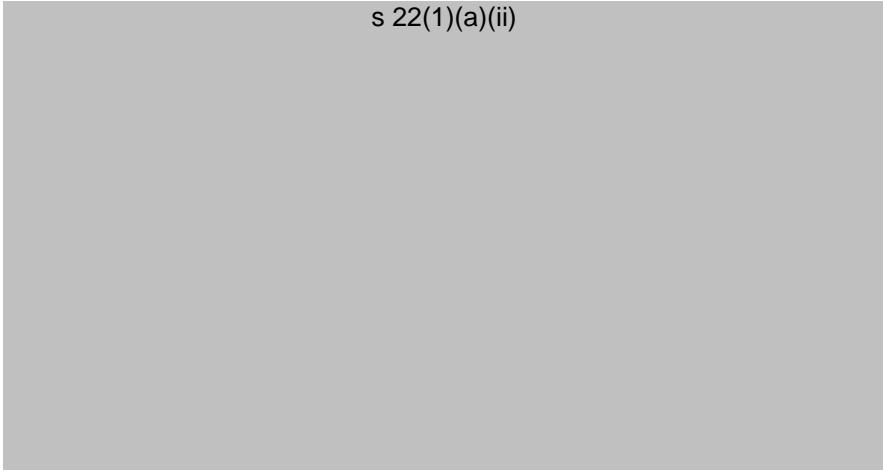
On 1 Oct 2019, at 12:22 pm, Millar, Caroline <[Caroline.Millar@pmc.gov.au](mailto:Caroline.Millar@pmc.gov.au)> wrote:

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Sent from my iPhone

On 1 Oct 2019, at 12:19 pm, Hayhurst, Justin <[Justin.Hayhurst@pmc.gov.au](mailto:Justin.Hayhurst@pmc.gov.au)> wrote:

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**MEDIA TALKING POINTS  
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**Topic: POLITICAL-ECONOMIC**  
**Subject: United States: Barr Inquiry / Mueller**  
**Investigation**

**Originating Division: AMD**

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**Version:** 1

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**Expiry:** 1/01/2020

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## **Talking Points**

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**Policy Officer | United States Political and Strategic Section**

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**From:** s 22(1)(a)(ii)**Sent:** Thursday, 3 October 2019 5:49 PM**To:** s 22(1)(a)(ii)**Subject:** DFAT Talking Points - United States: Barr Inquiry / Mueller Investigation - v3 [DLM=For-Official-Use-Only]

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**Topic:** POLITICAL-ECONOMIC**Originating Division:** AMD**Subject:** United States: Barr Inquiry / Mueller Investigation**Version Date:** 3/10/2019**Reason for Update:** New talking points**Version:** 3**Expiry:** 1/01/2020**Talking Points**

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**Background**

## Leader Level Calls - Scott Morrison

Country	Leader	Coordinating Division	Date of Call	Brief Provided (Y/N)	ROC	PM&C Notetaker	Read out provided to PM&C?	Additional Comments
United States	President Donald Trump	International	5/09/2019	N	No	No	Y	Call regarding Barr inquiry