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Dear Professor Winter,

It was a pleasure to meet you when you were last in Canberra. I've received many positive reflections on the Shipbuilding Masterclass you led during that visit. I would like to thank you for the Masterclass and your contribution over many years to the Australian Naval Shipbuilding Enterprise.

During our last meeting, we spoke about how my Department is working with the Department of Defence to support the Government to deliver the Naval Shipbuilding and Sustainment Plan, including by ensuring strong oversight and governance. You may recall this included the potential to adjust roles and responsibilities, but that no decisions had been made at that time.

The Australian Government wishes to continue drawing upon your independent and expert advice until your contract expires at the end of 2023. In supporting the Prime Minister and Cabinet, we would like to continue to seek your written advice on specific issues to draw to the Prime Minister's attention. There are several key matters that Government will consider in the next few months. My team will reach out shortly to seek your advice on these items. s 47C

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The Prime Minister has signalled that he and his Government expects the Naval Shipbuilding Expert Advisory Panel to be the primary external and independent source of Naval Shipbuilding Enterprise advice for Defence. s 47C

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drawing on its engagement across industry and Government.

From time to time, there may be specific activities or tasks that are better suited to your expertise than that of the Naval Shipbuilding Expert Advisory Panel.

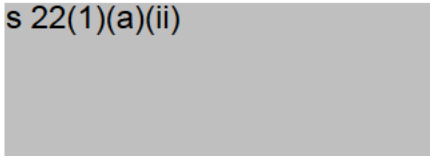
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This could be through my Department or through Defence directly. In those instances, we look forward to the opportunity to work closely with you.

I would again like to thank you for your work to date and look forward to your ongoing contribution to the Australian National Naval Shipbuilding Enterprise.

Yours,

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