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Dear Ms Rooney

Re: Department of Industry, Tourism and Resources (ITR) request to delay consideration of authorisation applications A90912 and A90913

I refer to ITR's letter dated 24 May 2004 requesting that the Commission delay its consideration of authorisation applications A90912 and A90913 lodged on 18 March 2004.

I note that you propose to amend of your submission to better define preferential conduct and remove any references to exclusive conduct. In view of these proposed changes, I consider it appropriate to defer as requested further consideration of the applications until the amended submission is provided.

You also state that the design of the new national tourism accreditation framework is expected to be finalised in July 2004. To allow industry stakeholders to take the new national accreditation framework into account, the Commission does not intend to recommence consultation until the framework has been implemented. As such it would be appreciated if you could include the relevant changes to the national accreditation scheme in your amended submission.

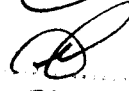


I look forward to receiving your revised submission. This letter has been placed on the Commission's public register. If you wish to discuss any aspect of this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Michael Green on 02 6243 1088.

Yours sincerely



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Adjudication Branch

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