



The Hon. Tony Abbott MHR  
Leader of the Opposition

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The Hon Mark Dreyfus QC MP  
Attorney-General  
Special Minister of State  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Attorney-General

Thank you for your letter dated 16 May 2013 regarding the Government's intention to introduce and pass the *Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Political Donations and Other Measures) Bill 2013* in the current Winter sittings.

I have been briefed by the Shadow Special Minister of State, the Hon Bronwyn Bishop MP about the agreement reached between former Special Minister of State, the Hon Gary Gray AO MP, Mr Brian Loughnane and Mr George Wright on various disclosure and funding matters.

I am satisfied with the agreement reached and indicate the Coalition's intention to support the legislation and to deal with it, as requested, before the end of the sittings. I note that I have been provided with a near-final draft of the Bill and will leave settlement of the final legislation with the Shadow Minister.

I have copied this letter to the Manager of Opposition Business in the House, the Hon Christopher Pyne MP and the Manager of Opposition Business in the Senate, Senator Mitch Fifield to ensure they assist with efficient passage as required. I have provided the Shadow Special Minister of State with a copy also.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Tony Abbott'.

TONY ABBOTT