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Mike

Could you please run your eyes over this before I return it to Dawn.

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Neil

Mr Finn Pratt [PSM](#)  
Secretary  
Department of FAHSCIA

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Dear Finn

### **Indigenous Land Corporation (ILC): Governance**

Attached is a copy of a letter sent Ms Serena Buchanan, Audit Principal, Australian National Audit Office (ANAO) regarding their intervention in the ILC's deliberations on membership of the Audit and Risk Management (A&RM). It would be greatly appreciated if the Department could facilitate clarification from the ANAO that [its the ANAO](#) Better Practice Guide does not preclude the ILC from appointing a suitably qualified independent person to Chair the A&RM Committee.

[In making the decision to write this letter to you I am also conscious of the need to keep you informed of certain developments and the actions currently in hand to address them.](#)

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As stated in the attached letter to ANAO, the new ILC Board is concerned to enhance Board governance arrangements with a view to maintaining best practice policies, appointments, procedures, and reporting

requirements in relation to its own operations, its committee structures and wholly owned subsidiaries. We are also committed to ensuring [effective](#) succession planning and staff development within the administrative arm.

As you would be aware the Minister has written to me as Chair on several ILC governance issues including the above- mentioned issues. I will [shortly](#) be in a position ~~soon~~ to provide the Minister with answers on a number [of these](#) and progress report on others.

Yours sincerely

Dr Dawn Casey PSM FAHA  
Chair  
Indigenous Land Corporation