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Subject: FW: Urgent: FaHCSIA - Advice on financial matters related to Problem Gambling Reforms ~~SEC-~~IN-CONFIDENCE~~~~
Attachments: Draft scope of works.doc; Media release Trial offer - pdf.pdf
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Hi [REDACTED]

As discussed, I am working in FaHCSIA's Problem Gambling Taskforce with [REDACTED].

The department is seeking some advice on financial management strategy urgently (by COB Wednesday 1st February) pertaining to the establishment and implementation of the governments trial of poker machine pre commitment technology. A draft scope of works and details of the Commonwealth's offer to Clubs in the ACT is attached.

I would appreciate if you can back to me regarding your organisations availability to provide this advice as soon as possible given the timeframes.

I will call Monday morning to discuss and provide any further detail you may require.

Regards,

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Problem Gambling Taskforce
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Scope of Works - Draft

Background

- The Commonwealth has recently announced a number of reforms to the gambling industry including a trial of Poker machine pre-commitment technology that will be undertaken in the ACT, commencing Feb 2013.
- To enable and support this trial the Commonwealth has committed to fund clubs participating in the trial in the ACT a participation fee (which equates to 20% of the club's 2010/11 Gross Gaming Revenue).
- Some of these clubs pay contributions to political parties.
- The Commonwealth wants to ensure that none of the 20% participation fee payment passes back to any political parties as part of any contribution process.
- In support of this, the Minister's press release has advised that;
 - All venues will need to enter into an agreement that no Commonwealth funding will be used to support political donations. – See Attachment A

Advice required:

We are seeking professional, fully defensible advice on what measures can be implemented to ensure integrity and transparency in the process of providing funding to clubs participating in the trial – evidencing that none of Commonwealth funding provided to Clubs for the trial has been paid as political contributions to any party.

Advice is to include but not necessarily be limited to;

- Contractual / agreement requirements;
- Fee payment structures and types – within the current scope of the offer to Clubs in the ACT;
- Reporting processes and requirements;
- Monitoring and oversight; and
- Accounting methodologies.

This advice is required by COB Wednesday 1 February 2012 and is to be provided in a short written report of around 3-5 pages.

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