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**From:**  
**Sent:** Monday, 1 March 2010 1:30 PM  
**To:**  
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**Subject:** RE: government 2.0 - info philanthropy [SEC=

Thanks

It looks like our views are in harmony.

I don't expect we will be doing any further thinking on this - I'll listen out though.

regards

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**From:**  
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Hi

As discussed, we are comfortable with the proposed approach to defer consideration of this proposal. The attached emails contain the body of our advice to Finance.

Let me know if you come across any inconsistent advice re: this proposal, or get a sense that it is gathering momentum.

Regards,

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**From:**  
**Sent:** Friday, 26 February 2010 3:04 PM  
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Can you please have a look at this. I thought that we'd told Finance that DGR issues were to be considered as part of our AFTS agenda and not within the response to the Government 2.0 taskforce.

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**From:**

**Sent:** Friday, 26 February 2010 2:21 PM

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We've been having a quick look at a draft cabinet submission related to government's response to the [Government 2.0 taskforce report](#) - and how this is affected by the afts report.

The final recommendation relates to giving charitable/DGR status for "info-philanthropy" activities (creation of information public goods for non-profit purposes).

I discussed this recommendation with Nick Gruen (head of the taskforce) when he visited the other day, but his public good argument for supporting this kind of activity didn't seem strong for me. In any case, I've put down the argument, and why I think it doesn't work in the attached paper.

I don't think our input at this stage of the process requires a policy position, and in any case policy in this area is clearly in your domain rather than ours, but perhaps you could look at the attached paper and have a chat later next week to check if my thinking accords with PRID's position on this.

best regards

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