FORM OF UNDERTAKING

a representative of		

ACCEPT the privileges extended to me in relation to early access to the 2012-13 Budget Speech and related documents ('the Budget documents') and, in return for those privileges;

STATE that I understand and accept that the Budget documents and the information they contain ('Budget information') are secret until 7.30 pm AEST on Tuesday 8 May 2012 (Specified Time); and

UNDERTAKE that I will not:

- leave the lock-up before the Specified Time without the permission of a Treasury official.
- make or permit any publication, written or by other means, of any facts, statements, opinions or other Budget information contained in the Budget documents, prior to the Specified Time.
- broadcast or place on the internet or otherwise disseminate publicly any Budget information contained in the Budget documents before the Specified Time.
- give, convey, communicate or otherwise disclose the Budget documents or the Budget information or any part thereof to any person before the Specified Time, except to another person who is also participating in the lock-up.
- use the embargoed information contained in the Budget information or the Budget documents for personal or commerical gain prior to the Specified Time.
- bring into the lock-up computer equipment, cellular/digital telephone equipment or any other equipment capable of transmitting information outside the lock-up unless that equipment has been specifically approved by a Treasury official and its connectivity has been disabled and remains disabled during the duration of the lock-up.

I UNDERSTAND AND ACCEPT that if, before the Specified Time, I provide any Budget documents or communicate any Budget information to any person other than persons who are also participating in the lock-up, I shall render myself liable to prosecution.

I have read this Form of Undertaking and section 79(3) of the *Crimes Act 1914 (a copy of which is attached)* and I have taken reasonable steps to ensure that the above named media organisation is made fully aware of these conditions, including the consequences of a breach of this Undertaking.

I ACKNOWLEDGE that should I breach this Undertaking:

- I may be prohibited from taking part in the lock-up in future years; and
- other representatives of the above named organisation may be prohibited from taking part in the lock-up in future years.

Signed:	 Date: 8/05/2012
Witness:	 (Treasury Official)

EXTRACT FROM CRIMES ACT 1914

'Official Secrets...

79.(3) If a person communicates ... prescribed information, to a person, other than:

(a) a person to whom he is authorised to communicate it; or

(b) a person to whom it is, in the interest of the Commonwealth or a part of the Queen's dominions, his duty to communicate it;

or permits a person, other than a person referred to in paragraph (a) or (b), to have

access to it, he shall be guilty of an offence.

Penalty: Imprisonment for 2 years.'