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Manager Black Economy Division The Treasury Langton Crescent PARKES ACT 2600

Dear Manager,

**Re: *Currency (Restrictions on the Use of Cash) Bill 2019***

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the draft:

· *Currency (Restrictions on the Use of Cash) Bill 2019;*

· *Currency (Restrictions on the Use of Cash – Expected Transactions) Instrument 2019;* and

· *Currency (Restrictions on the Use of Cash) (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2019.*

The proposed bill (and associated instrument) are a major affront and assault to economic freedom in Australia and represents a significant curtailment to Australian civil liberties. The proposed laws would punish individual Australians as to how they wish to spend their private wealth, including whether:

* they wish to conduct transactions independent of Australia’s commercial banking system; and
* they wish to conduct their economic affairs in private.

Moreover, the proposed laws are anti-competitive in nature given that cash transactions (irrespective if they include physical or digital forms of currency) are an alternative to using Australia’s commercial banking sector.

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