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Good morning,

I have just discovered that you have been undertaking a consultation re DGR Registers Reform. I also discovered that the consultation period closed earlier this week. I hope that I am not too late to make comment.

The requirement that organisations on ROCO submit their statistical return of donations within 21 days of the end of the 6 month reporting period is unrealistic, especially for small to medium organisations such as ourselves. In most cases for organisations such as ourselves bookkeepers come in once a month to finalise accounts from the previous month. For most small to medium arts orgs that survive on tight budgets holidays and TOIL are taken over January. The inevitable result is that we are in danger of missing the deadline. It should be noted that the ATO require the Oct-Dec BAS not until the end of Feb the following year. This is reasonable – 21 days is not.

Many thanks

All the best
Michael



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