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The Hon Greg Hunt MP  
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Dear Minister Hunt

We are pleased to submit the Report of the Bioregional Advisory Panel on the Commonwealth Marine Reserves Review.

The work undertaken by ourselves and the five Regional Panels is now complete and we present the report and recommendations for your consideration alongside the report of the Expert Scientific Panel.

We have undertaken wide and comprehensive consultation and drawn on a wide variety of information from public submissions and government agencies, as well as the work of the Expert Scientific Panel.

The suite of recommendations provides for an improved conservation outcome as well as reducing the impact on commercial fishing and therefore the cost implications for the Australian Government.

We believe that our recommendations as a package represent a robust balance of the diversity of interests and perspectives across this large and globally significant estate.

Yours sincerely



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