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The Hon Shane Stone MLA  
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*Shane Stone,*

Just a brief note to thank you for your letter of 7 February 1999 formerly advising of your retirement as Chief Minister of the Northern Territory.

I want to thank you for the outstanding job you did as Chief Minister. Your years as a senior Parliamentarian in a succession of CLP governments have been marked by great success. You have made an important contribution to the future of the Territory and I have enjoyed our close professional and personal working relationship.

I trust you enjoy continued success when you rejoin the business sector.

I look forward to staying in touch.

Kind regards

*John Howard*  
(John Howard)