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Dear Shane

I have recently returned from extended leave overseas (yes, it was great!) to learn of the changes to the Territory Government leadership.

Your commitment to disseminating information to Party members through

regular letters has always drawn my admiration, but more so I thank you for your commitment to the safety of Territorians through your stance on law + order issues.

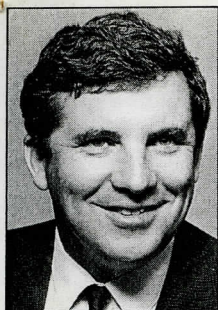
Best wishes to you, Josephine + your family.

Regards

Linda Fay.



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Dear Linda

Thank you for your card of March 4. I apologise for not responding earlier but I have been endeavouring to deal with an avalanche of mail that has been written in very personal terms and which demands an equally personal response.

One has their highs and lows in politics, their rewards and disappointments, but I look back on my time as President, Minister and Chief Minister with a sense of satisfaction.

Although disappointed by the outcome of the Statehood Referendum, I always believed it was far more important to lay down a strong and viable economic structure that ensured jobs for Territorians and a strong and committed approach to law and order to ensure the safety of our own community.

Thank you for your support and encouragement over the years. I appreciate that you have had your own disappointments in the political arena but, as with all things, you don't look back over your shoulder.

In the event that I can ever be of any assistance, you should not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

Shane L. Stone