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Dear Shane,

re: Best Wishes

Thankyou for your letter of 7 February.

My best wishes to you and your family at this time.

I have always appreciated your passionate advocacy of the interests of the Northern Territory and of Australia.

I have had a considerable interest in the affairs of the territory for some time. My son has been living in Darwin for two years now and I have had the opportunity to visit that city on a number of occasions.

At present I am also participating in two parliamentary inquiries with considerable relevance for the territory- the Family & Community Affairs Committee inquiry into indigenous health and the Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Affairs Committee inquiry into the Reeves Report.

As a close neighbour of the territory I have also had the privilege of participating in important issues such as the Alice Springs-Darwin railway lien. As such it has been a privilege to work with you as a colleague.

My best wishes again. I am in Darwin on parliamentary business in early March and would be happy to catch up with you.

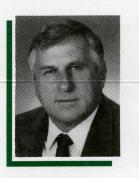
Regards,

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