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12th February, 1999

Mr. Shane L. Stone Member for Port Darwin Parliament House GPO Box 3146 Darwin NT 0801

Dear Shane

Thanks for your letter of 7th February, 1999.

I wish to congratulate you on your achievements during your time as a Minister, and then Chief Minister. I was personally disappointed that you decided to resign, but anticipate the strong leadership shown by the CLP Government will continue.

The Territory needs Statehood, and you showed great vision and fortitude standing up for this issue

You may know that we, through our companies, Softwood Plantations Pty. Ltd., Corporate Developments Pty. Ltd. and Centrex Resources NL, are substantial continuing investors in the Northern Territory, particularly in the subdivision and mineral industries.

From time to time, we do have matters arise which not only cause us delays and problems which sometimes result in developments not proceeding; consequently there is a loss to the Territory as the investment occurs elsewhere.

We do have a few such issues at the moment, I would be grateful therefore for the opportunity of meeting with you soon to discuss how streamlining investment might better benefit the Territory.

I will contact you soon to arrange a suitable meeting.

Thanks again for your letter, and kind regards

Graham Chrisp





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29 April, 1999

Mr Graham Chrisp Corporate Developments Pty Ltd 3 Keys Court HOVE SA 5048

Dear Graham

Thank you for your letter of February 12. I apologise for not responding earlier but I have received an avalanche of mail written in very personal terms, which demands an equally personal response.

One has their highs and their lows in politics, their rewards and disappointments. As you observed in your letter, Statehood was a major disappointment, but the economic foundations that I laid down over 9 years as a Minister, including 4 as Chief Minister, I look back on with a great sense of satisfaction.

I applaud your continuing commitment to the Northern Territory through your various companies. I have watched with some considerable admiration what you have achieved to date.

I wish Denis Burke and his new team all the very best for the future. In the event that I can ever be of any assistance, you should not hesitate to contact me.

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Thank you again for taking the time to write to me and I look forward to seeing you in Darwin at some time.

Yours faithfully

Shane L. Stone