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CC The Hon John Howard Prime Minister Parliament House Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Mr Stone,

Thank you for your memo to the Prime Minister in the wake of the Ryan by election advising him of problems within the parliamentary wing of the party and your subsequent public support of this leaked document.

My small family business which has supported and voted liberal all our lives is being legislated out of business by Minister Anderson and Minister Minchin without compensation. Because of this we have not financially contributed to the Liberal Party this year. Furthermore, sir, we will canvass against our local Moreton member in the upcoming federal election advising fair-minded electors to not vote Liberal similar to what we have done in the Ryan by election. We will target every public appearance of Garry Hardgrave once the election is called.

We have invested our life's savings in our business to meet the Federal Transport Motor Vehicle Compliance Plate Authority licences prerequisites. Current proposed legislation by Ministers Anderson and Minchin will cancel our licences which were issued to us by the Federal Government to the year 2012. We have armatised our costs accordingly.

We have written to the following Government politicians requesting a review of this terrible antiLiberal and unAustralian legislation but no one has listened:

The Prime Minister
The Treasurer
Minister Anderson
Minister Minchin
Minister Reith
Minister McFarlane
Senator Boswell
Garry Hardgrave.

Also regarding this matter, we have also written to or spoken to:
Yourself
Mr Con Galtos
Mr Graham Jaeschke
Mr Bob Tucker
Mr Michael Johnson

Apart from the trauma of being legislated our of business by the political party which we have always supported, we are additionally incensed by the fact that the Federal Cabinet is handing our business to Toyota Motor Company of Japan who, although they have lead the Australian motor market for the past two tears, they have paid no Australian company tax due to transfer pricing.

My family are Australian citizens by choice and we have migrated to Australia so that we would get a 'fair go". This, sir, is not a fair go!

Our business is licensed to import 25 turbo diesel cars per year. There are no diesel cars manufactured in Australia. We sell most of these cars to rural dwellers because of the fuel economy of these units vis-à-vis petrol powered units. All our imported vehicles range from 1993 to 1995 and do not provide any threat whatsoever to locally produced new Camtys or Avalons.

We have advised all our local businesses, suppliers and neighbours what this government is doing to our business and we will be advising them to not vote liberal at the next election.

So in summary, Mr Stone, my family. our neighbours, our suppliers and local small businesses appreciate your public statements during the past week because we pray that it might signal a change of heart in the federal government which, we also pray, will save our small family business together with our life's savings.

Yours faithfully

Brian & Ingrid Lynch



The Liberal Party of Australia

FEDERAL SECRETARIAT

FEDERAL PRESIDENT Hon. Shane L. Stone QC

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7 June, 2001

Dear Brian and Ingrid,

Thank you for your recent note about "that memo". Sorry I've taken a while to respond but there has been a lot of mail to get through and I type all my own letters.

I have requested a specific briefing on the issue you have raised. This is something that I am not aware off but be assured I will pursue on your behalf – in return all I ask is a little time to come to grips with what you assert. I have also ensured that the PM got a copy of the letter.

One of the great lessons I learned as a Minister and Chief Minister of the Northern Territory was "never forget them that brung yu" – that is, those who vote you into office and work tirelessly for your re election.

I agreed to become the volunteer unpaid Federal President of the Liberal Party on my retirement because I care about the community that my kids are growing up in I wanted to give something back to the Party.

Even though I still live and work in Darwin friends and colleagues encouraged me to stay involved.

My support for John Howard, and his re election is not based on self-interest. It's very simple – John has restored a sense of integrity and honesty to the office of Prime Minister. Along the way he has delivered important gains for ordinary Australians. Sure, we all have our disappointments and "gripes" – I've got some - but that doesn't deter me from working hard to re elect the coalition government.

Think about the alternative – Kim Beazley and the 3 ex Presidents of the ACTU [Jenny George, Ferguson and Crean] all waiting in the wings. Lets face it a number of the new ministers in a Beazley Labor Government would be former hard-line union officials. And of course don't forget Cheryl. It's too awful to really contemplate.

I was disappointed the memo leaked. In fact there was nothing remarkable about it's contents. Some say it was a bit slow coming. Written in February it accurately reflected what people had to say at that time. Reporting accurately the views of the community and the membership is my job. I make no apologies for that.

Most importantly the Government has shown that they are listening. Typically and predictably the Australian media brandish headlines like "Government back flip", or "Government Back down" [guess it helps to sell newspapers, radio and TV advertising]. I see it differently but sadly you will never read the headline "Government Listens and Responds to Community Concerns". This sad state of affairs says more about the media than it does about any of us.

Well I haven't resigned, I'm no less forthright in reporting back to the Prime Minister and come election time I will be front and center working to re election John Howard as Prime Minister.

And if as the critics and self-important commentators claim Labor will use "the memo" in their advertising campaign so be it. It will serve as a timely reminder that Government listened and most importantly acted.

Thank you for your note. It was greatly appreciated and came at time when I needed and valued a little community reassurance.

I hope you will consider carefully what I have written and recommit to supporting the re election of the Howard Government. It is one thing to write to me applauding my actions, it is another to stand beside me resolute and determined not to allow the very same economic vandals who ran up a \$90 billion debt, "a recession we had to have" and interest rates of 17% or to take back the reins of government.

My kind regards and best wishes.

Yours sincerely

Shane L. Stone

PS. How about that - for the last 6 months we have had to put up with the doom and gloom merchants in the media and Opposition tell us we are in

recession- not so according to those who actually know what their talking about

- no recession for Australia !!!!! What sort of people talk down their own

country?