



**Australian Government**  
**Inquiry into Australian**  
**Intelligence Agencies**

20 July 2004

The Hon. John Howard MP  
Prime Minister  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Prime Minister,

I am enclosing the report of my Inquiry into the Australian Intelligence Agencies which you requested on 4 March 2004.

I have received full cooperation from Ministers in your Government, from the heads and members of all intelligence agencies, from Departments and from the Chief and members of the Australian Defence Force. I have also consulted with former Prime Ministers, Ministers from previous Governments and a wide range of other people with knowledge of the intelligence community. A high quality Secretariat has given me invaluable assistance. While grateful for the cooperation of all I am solely responsible for the contents of this report.

An unclassified version of my report is also enclosed.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Philip Flood." The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line under the name.

Philip Flood