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Dear Mr Scott *Alex,*

It has been a hallmark of the Palaszczuk Government to bargain in good faith with public sector unions to reach agreements that provide fair and reasonable wages and conditions for public sector workers, in line with government wages policy.

I am happy to advise you formally that Government, through the Cabinet Budget Review Committee, has approved the recent in-principle agreements reached for the State Government Entities Certified Agreement (the Core), Department of Education (DoE), and Parliamentary Service Electorate Officers (PSEO) negotiations.

I am also pleased to be able to tell you that as part of the approval provided, all agencies covered by the Core agreement, DoE and the Parliamentary Service has been authorised to process the one-off \$1250 pro-rata payment to employees at classification levels up to Administrative Level 8 (AO8) (or equivalent), effective from the date that in-principle agreement was reached between the parties. For the DoE agreement, this date is 13 December 2019. For the PSEO agreement, this date is 14 January 2020. For the Core agreement, this date is 17 January 2020.

The Office of Industrial Relations is working with the relevant payroll providers to ensure the payment is processed to our hard-working public servants as quickly as possible.

I am confident all parties will work together to ensure a successful employee ballot and final certification of the agreement by the Queensland Industrial Relations Commission.

I look forward to continuing to work with you co-operatively on matters affecting Queensland's highly-valued and hard-working public sector workforce.

If you require any further information on any of the above matters, please contact Ms Sharon Durham, Chief of Staff of my office, on (07) 3719 7110.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely

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Cc: The Honourable Anastacia Palaszczuk MP, Premier and Minister for Trade