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Dear Ms. Arblaster,

I refer to your letter dated 2nd June 2000, attaching an Issues Paper and Questionnaire to assist with the ACCC investigation into the S.E. Asian trade under Part X of the Trade Practices Act as directed by the Federal Minister for Transport and Regional Services.

We have actively participated in, and have authorized the making of, a submission by LSS Ltd on our behalf. We are prepared to elaborate upon any issue in pursuance of the terms of reference for this inquiry that you would like us to do as an individual Line following your perusal of that submission.

We are confident that the investigation will reveal Lines have certainly had due regard to the need for services in this trade to be adequate, economic and efficient and that they meet the objects to Part X in that regard.

Yours faithfully, MITSUI O.S.K. LINES (AUSTRALIA) PTY. LTD.

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