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Dear Mr Channing

**Reference: Authorisation AA1000442 submitted by Australian National Kennel Council Limited (ANKC)**

I fully support the ACCC's position on the submission made by the ANKC and their Affiliates

The ANKC would appear to have a long-standing position; that they are, and should be, the sole organisation with an exclusive Service available to the Australian people, and in particular breeders of Pure Bred dogs.

Their position of exclusivity is ill conceived and could be considered as a restrictive move against Pure Bred dog breeders for free trade in an open and competitive market. Breeders should not feel obliged, forced or coerced to register their dogs and puppies with one organisation in order to enter shows, compete and gain points towards championship status. Breeders and Members are sanctioned, suspended or terminated if they take up membership with another group or club and enter competitions conducted by any group other than the ANKC or their affiliates.

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Therefore, under the current Act, I agree totally with the ACCC impending decision, the ANKC should not be permitted to hold any exclusivity of canine registrations and reputable breeders of pure bred dogs should be able to conduct their activities in a free and open market with choices of where and with whom they register their dogs.

Regards,

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