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Dear Dr McLiesh

I am writing to request that the Australian National Audit Office (ANAO) undertake a performance audit into the Housing Australia Future Fund availability payments.

On Sunday 5 October, the Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) released a media article discussing the expansion of availability payments since the Housing Australia Future Fund was first established:

Early estimates by the Grattan Institute, which proposed the idea, put the required top-up amount [availability payment] at around \$250,000 per home.

Some of the smallest projects are also some of the most expensive. Four individual homes in outer Port Macquarie in New South Wales will receive availability payments worth a collective \$1.7 million each over 25 years.

One mega-project for 969 homes scattered across various locations in Victoria will receive availability payments worth \$883 million — more than \$900,000 per home.

Given this media reporting reveals payments are, in some instances, more than triple that of original estimates, I believe it is appropriate that you exercise your powers under section 11 of the *Auditor-General Act 1997* and conduct a performance audit of the expansion of Housing Australia Future Fund availability payments to ensure the efficient and prudent use of taxpayer funds in the interests of transparency and accountability.

I look forward to your consideration and response.

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Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andrew Bragg". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping tail on the final letter.

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