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Subject: Accreditations
– Appointment of H.E. Mr Mark William Christopher HIGGIE as Head of Mission of the Commonwealth of Australia to the European Union to replace H.E. Mr Duncan Edward Lewis

With reference to the procedure agreed by exchange of letters on 3 and 9 November 1966, you are hereby informed that the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia intends to appoint H.E. Mr Mark William Christopher HIGGIE as Head of Mission of the Commonwealth of Australia to the European Union to replace H.E. Mr Duncan Edward Lewis.

- Your tacit agreement will be assumed on 26 July 2014 unless you make specific objections by that date.

Please find attached a copy of the note verbale sent to the Commission by the Mission of the Commonwealth of Australia to the European Union and the curriculum vitae of H.E. Mr Mark William Christopher HIGGIE.

Uwe CORSEPIUS
Secretary-General

- note verbale
- curriculum vitae

NOTE VERBALE

The Australian Embassy presents its compliments to the Protocol Service of the European Commission and has the honour to inform the latter that the Government of Australia proposes to appoint Dr Mark William Christopher Higgle as Head of Mission of Australia to the European Union. *Agrément* is hereby requested to his appointment.

A curriculum vitae for Dr Higgle is attached.

The Australian Embassy avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Protocol Service of the European Commission the assurances of its highest consideration.

CURRICULUM VITAE

Name: Mark William Christopher HIGGIE
Address: c/- Office of the Prime Minister
Date of birth: 26 July 1957
Present position: Senior Advisor, International, Office of the Prime Minister

Educational and Professional qualifications: Bachelor of Arts, Australian National University
PhD, Australian National University

Relevant experience:

2013-2014	Senior Adviser, International, Office of the Prime Minister
2010-2013	Senior Adviser, International, Office of the Leader of the Opposition
2006-2009	Office of National Assessments Liaison Officer, Australian High Commission, London
2001-2006	Senior Analyst, Europe, Office of National Assessments
1998-2001	Australian Ambassador to Hungary
1995-1997	Director, Japan Section, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
1992-1995	First Secretary, later Counsellor, Australian Embassy, Vienna
1991-1992	Executive Officer, USSR Section, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
1990-1991	Executive Officer, Soviet Union/East Europe, Office of National Assessments
1989-1990	Arms Control Section, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
1988-1989	Policy Adviser, Shadow Foreign Affairs Spokesman
1985-1987	Third, later Second, Secretary, Australian Embassy, Belgrade
1984	Foreign Affairs Trainee, Department of Foreign Affairs