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Dear Ms Lendon,

*Subject: IIEP Governing Board's 48th Session
2009 Report of activities and 2010 Programme and Budget*

On behalf of the Governing Board and myself, I would like to thank the Australian Government for its generous contribution. Australia has been a strong supporter of the International Institute for Educational Planning (IIEP) over the past several years and it is my sincere wish to see your country renew its trust in IIEP for 2010.

The 48th Session of the IIEP Governing Board was held in Paris from 9 to 11 December 2009. During this Session, the Board approved the Director's report on the Institute's activities in 2009, as well as its programme and budget for 2010 (Document 48 GB/4 and 48 GB/5).

The Board also approved Resolution N° 457 and the 2008 audited accounts which appear in Document 48 GB/4 Inf. Among other resolutions adopted by the Board, were Resolution n° 458 that expresses gratitude to Member States for their voluntary contributions to IIEP; and Resolution n° 460 that reiterates the appeal to Member States and organizations to continue or begin their financial contributions towards the Institute's activities in 2010 and beyond. A copy of these documents is enclosed for your information. As customary, IIEP's 2009 certified accounts will be provided to you once the UNESCO Comptroller and UNESCO's External Auditor have completed the Audit and Certification process (anticipated autumn 2010).

As you know, the success of IIEP's programme and activities is greatly dependent on the financial support received from Member States. In order to help us complete the activities of the Institute for 2010 from a financial point of view, I would be grateful if, at your earliest convenience, you could inform me of your Government's intentions regarding AUSAid's voluntary contribution to IIEP for 2010.

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On a different note, you are aware that my tenure as IIEP Director will conclude on 26 March 2010. Mr Mahshi, Deputy Director, whom you have met, will act as interim Director as from 27 March 2010, until a new Director is appointed.

I again convey our gratitude and deep appreciation to your Government for its long-standing, unfailing support to our Institute. Allow me to thank you, personally, for your continuous and generous support.

Yours sincerely,



Mark Bray
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cc: Ms Melissa Kamp, Policy Officer, Education Thematic Group