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Dear Mr Swearingen

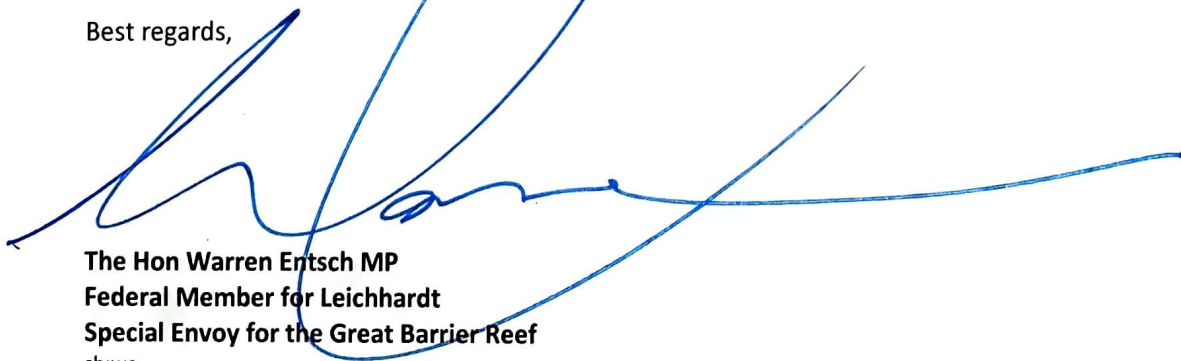
I am writing today to confirm for you and your associates that I have indeed recently and personally discussed the issue of the proposed Central Queensland Coal Mine with my colleague Sussan Ley MP, Minister for the Environment and her staff.

I have expressed my very strong opposition to this project as the Special Envoy for the Great Barrier Reef. In my view, it is entirely inappropriate for the mine to proceed, particularly given its proximity to the Great Barrier Reef.

I note that the Queensland Government has already come to this conclusion through its rejection and referral of the proposed mine to the Federal Government. I expect that through her relatively quick deliberations, Minister Ley will also come to the same conclusion that this mine should not proceed.

I thank you and your associates for expressing your concern on this issue and wish you well with your continued advocacy in support of our Great Barrier Reef.

Best regards,



**The Hon Warren Entsch MP**  
**Federal Member for Leichhardt**  
**Special Envoy for the Great Barrier Reef**  
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