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Dear Colleagues

I hope this finds you well. I am writing to provide an update on the IP negotiations, including a preview of the IP agenda for the 15<sup>th</sup> round in Auckland NZ, which will be held from 3-12 December 2012.

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Our NZ colleagues have just circulated a **draft schedule for Auckland** as follows:

- [REDACTED] S33(a)(iii), S33(b)  
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Regarding **preparations for Auckland**, I am aiming to circulate requests for briefing by the end of this week (as I will be on leave from 29 October until 13 November). Also, in the lead up to Auckland, OTN is planning stakeholder consultation sessions in Melbourne, Brisbane and Sydney on 14, 15 and 16 November, respectively. IP is one of the areas that will be covered, along with Services, Financial Services and Investment. Lead negotiators will attend with [REDACTED] S47F(1) and/or [REDACTED] S47F(1) If your agency is interested in attending please let me know and I can provide more details. I'd also be grateful for an indication of whether it's likely someone from your agency will attend the Auckland round.

Finally, a **big thank you** for your ongoing assistance with intersessional work and at rounds. I know budgets are tight and we're all operating with diminished resources. I'll do my best to send requests through as soon as I can and

keep these as streamlined as possible. If you have any questions or would like more information about where the IP negotiations are up to, feel free to contact me.

Thanks and kind regards

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