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Your ref:

Our ref: C2013/11339

Mr Brendan Molloy Secretary Pirate Party Australia

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Dear Mr Molloy

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Request under the Freedom of Information Act 1982 (FOI Act) for access to documents -Consultation under section 27A – Extension of time under section 15(6)

I refer to your request received by IP Australia on 10 May 2013 regarding access to copies of the documents on the following files:

1) C2012/12282 Trans Pacific Partnership Free Trade Agreement - Pharmaceutical Provisions

2) C2012/12298 Trans Pacific Partnership 2012 Free Trade Agreement - Round 14 Negotiations - Leesburg (Washington DC) USA 3) C2012/12458 Trans Pacific Partnership Free Trade Agreement - International Exhaustion/Parallel Importation

4) C2012/12687 Trans Pacific Partnership Free Trade Agreement - Traditional Knowledge - Genetic Resources And Traditional Cultural Expressions

5) C2012/12966 Briefing And Ministerial Correspondence 2012 - Gene Patenting - Domestic Policy

6) C2012/13878 Trans Pacific Partnership 2012 Free Trade Agreement - Round 15 Negotiations - Auckland NZ

I am writing to inform you that, under section 27A of the FOI Act, IP Australia is required to consult third parties in relation to personal information contained in documents within the scope of this request. I have therefore decided that it is appropriate under section 15(6) of the FOI Act to extend the relevant period for determining your request by 30 days. IP Australia will accordingly provide you with notice of the decision on your request by the end of Tuesday 9 July 2013.

I have not yet decided whether you are liable to pay charges in respect of your request for documents. If I decide that you are liable to pay a charge, I will include a detailed assessment of that charge with my notice of decision. In this event, you will be able to contend that a charge has been wrongly assessed, or should be reduced or not imposed.

Please be aware that since 1 May 2011, IP Australia is required under s11C(6) of the FOI Act to make publicly available, through a Disclosure Log on its website, the documents released in response to FOI requests, in accordance with any full or partial FOI exemptions and subject to any additional requirements of the FOI Act.

Please contact Ms Jackie Carroll, Domestic Policy Section, on (02) 6283 2152, if you have any questions about FOI process.

ours sincerely

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