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The Honourable Mr Peter Beattie, MP  
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**Queensland Public Hospitals Commission of Inquiry**

I have given further consideration to the concern expressed in my letter to you of 15 September 2005 about the appropriateness and propriety of speaking to you, except in respect of formal matters, or to the Leader of the Opposition at all during the term of this Commission and how to balance that concern against the possible public expectation that I will do so because Mr Morris QC did.

I think that the public interest will best be served if, during the term of this Inquiry, I speak to each of you and Mr Springborg only in the presence of the other. On that basis I would be happy to speak to you and Mr Springborg at a time convenient to both of you provided it is outside the sitting times of the Commission which are 10am to 4:30pm Monday to Thursday. I suggest therefore any time after 4:30pm on Monday to Thursday or any time on Friday.

I shall send a copy of this letter to Mr Springborg.

Yours faithfully

**Hon Geoffrey Davies AO**  
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