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Grant Hehir Auditor-General for Australia Australian National Audit Office GPO Box 707 Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Mr Hehir,

I am writing to request that an audit be undertaken, by the Australian National Audit Office, in relation to the refugee resettlement deal established between the Commonwealth Government of Australia and the Kingdom of Cambodia in September of 2014<sup>1</sup>.

With significant public funding being used to resettle very few people, it is my belief that both the value for money and the appropriateness of the expenditure of foreign aid funding should be examined in this instance.

Reports that three of the five people who were sent to Cambodia have left the country<sup>2</sup>, along with the revelation that the remaining two are no longer in government sponsored accommodation in Phnom Penh<sup>3</sup>, have raised serious questions about the deal.

Constituent confidence in the use of public funds is essential and your office is well placed to determine whether funding was used in an appropriate and accountable manner under this arrangement.

Thank you for taking the time to consider this request and | am available, at your convenience, to discuss it further if required.

Kind regards,

Sarah Hanson-Young.

1 http://www.kaldorcentre.unsw.edu.au/publication/cambodia-agreement

2 http://www.smh.com.au/federal-politics/political-news/blow-to-australias-55-million-cambodia-deal-as-two-more-refugees-reportedly-leave-20160308gnda8g.html

3 http://www.abc.net.au/news/2015-10-20/refugees-resettled-in-cambodia-moved-into-private-accomodation/6870970