

The Hon Scott Morrison, MP Prime Minister of Australia Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Prime Minister

Polio Australia commends the Australian Government on its ongoing commitment to support for the World Health Organization. We were very disappointed by the US decision to suspend funding to this vital international organisation, and would like to emphasise WHO's importance in helping the international community to address the scourge of the current COVID-19 pandemic.

As the national peak body representing survivors of polio, we also acknowledge the crucial role of WHO and the Global Polio Eradication Initiative in bringing polio vaccination and awareness to countries across the globe. We implore the Australian Government to continue its support, in order to make the dream of global eradication of polio a reality.

Yours faithfully

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