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Mr Tom Duncan
Clerk
ACT Legislative Assembly
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CANBERRA ACT 2601

Dear Mr Duncan

Thank you for your letter of 22 October 2019 regarding petition number 26-19 lodged by Ms Caroline Le Couteur MLA seeking amendments to Transport Canberra's bus advertising policy.

Transport Canberra bus advertising must meet Australian Advertising Standards and adhere to the additional criteria set by Transport Canberra. More information on the standards can be found on the Transport Canberra website: <https://www.transport.act.gov.au/contact-us/advertise-with-us>

Each advertisement that is placed on Transport Canberra buses is reviewed by Go Transit Australia who manages advertising on the Transport Canberra bus fleet on behalf the Government. Whilst I understand and agree with the outrage from the community about the comments made by Mr Jones, in this case, as the advertisement advertises a radio station, and the advertisement does not display an offensive message, the advertisement meets the Australian Advertising Standards and Transport Canberra's guidelines.

Unfortunately, the ACT Government is not in a position to ban or remove the advertising at this time. I can confirm that we will be working to ensure that there will not be any Government advertising during the Alan Jones program.

Thank you for raising this matter. I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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Minister for Transport

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