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The Hon Kezia Purick Speaker of the Legislative Assembly GPO Box 3721 DARWIN NT 0801

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Dear Madam Speaker

Pursuant to Clause 6.11 of RTD No.1 of 2015 I would like to report on travel undertaken on the 8-10 June 2016.

I travelled to Darwin on the 8th June to observe a Boosting in the Bush workshop in Noonamah that included approximately 12 Tiwi Islander participants. The Tiwi men were part of a week-long workshop aimed at developing business skills in the fishing industry. I spoke at length about the importance of education and employment, drawing on my role as a MLA and leader of my community.

The visit provided me with an insight into the various initiatives available to constituents in remote communities and network with various business stakeholders.

Since the workshop, I have provided some of the participants with a community space in my Liaison Office in Tiwi to discuss the implementation of their workshop plans. Tiwi participants know that they can come to me for support and assistance in facilitating follow ups with key business people in the community.

The trip also allowed me to attend my Darwin Branch meeting. These meetings provide an important mechanism for the sharing and exchanging of information, and hearing from presenters provides important professional learning opportunities that assist me in my MLA role.

Please contact me if you have any further queries.

Kindest Regards,

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