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Dear Mr Popovski

I refer to your letter of 9 November 2016 to Dr Larry Marshall, Chief Executive, CSIRO, concerning the CSIRO Enterprise Agreement.

As the Minister for Science I have committed to supporting the CSIRO to enable it to continue its research and collaboration with Australian industry to benefit Australia. I want to strengthen the CSIRO's role as a world-class science and research organisation. The Australian Government's support for CSIRO is significant. CSIRO is receiving \$1.351 billion this year and this will increase to \$1.465 billion by 2019-20. CSIRO's overall staffing levels are on track to increase by 200 by 2019-20.

The Government values the work that CSIRO does and holds CSIRO's staff in high regard. I am currently seeking further advice on this matter, and expect Dr Marshall will provide you with a detailed response in the near future.

Thank you for copying me into your correspondence on this matter.

Yours sincerely

Greg Hunt

*many thanks for your help  
on the CSIRO statement of  
Expectations, GH*