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22 January 2003

Senator the Hon Richard Alston
Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Minister,

CLRC reference - Royalty Compensation Scheme for Private Copying of Copyright Material

We write as a follow-up to our letter of 30 October 2002. We have not as yet received a reply to our request that an inquiry be conducted into the proposal to establish a private copy levy.

If our proposal has raised any questions which you wish to have addressed, Brett Cottle (APRA) and Simon Lake (Screenrights) are available to meet with you at your earliest convenience.

We seek your active support in establishing an inquiry. We would expect this can most effectively and easily be done through the Copyright Law Review Committee (CLRC).

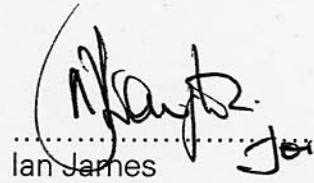
The introduction of a Royalty Compensation Scheme for Private Copying of Copyright Material would be a positive initiative for the audio-visual production sector and for Australian consumers, who would not be placed in the legally vulnerable position that they are currently in every time they use their video recorder or cd burner.

We again strongly urge the Government to take positive action in relation to this issue - which is by far the most important issue facing copyright owners generally.

With best wishes for the New Year,



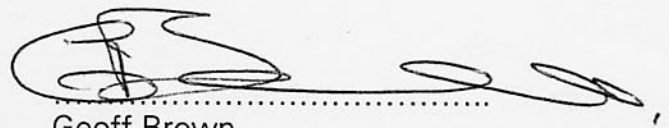
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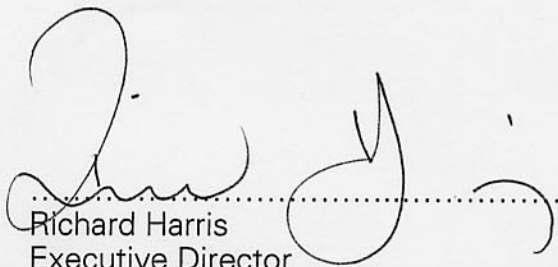
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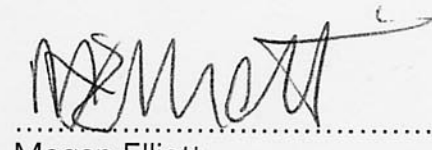
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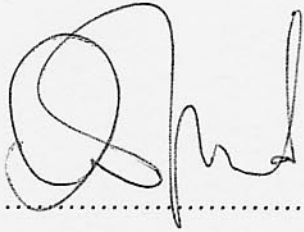
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