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Mr Murray Sherwin
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Dear Murray

TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR SERVICES SECTOR INQUIRY

The services sector accounts for a large proportion of New Zealand's output and employment, and has a significant impact on the everyday lives of New Zealanders.

Improving productivity in the services sector would contribute to a number of Government goals, such as increasing exports and lifting New Zealand's long run productivity growth rate.

We are therefore pleased to refer to you the Terms of Reference for a New Zealand Productivity Commission inquiry into Boosting Productivity in the Services Sector.

We wish you all the best as you commence the inquiry and look forward to your results.

Yours sincerely

Hon Bill English
Minister of Finance

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