### **Board of Taxation Consultation Plan**

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# **Consultation Paper**

#### on the

## **Review of International Taxation Arrangements**

- 1. This consultation plan outlines how the Board of Taxation proposes to fulfil a request by the Treasurer, The Hon Peter Costello, MP, for it to consult on the consultation paper prepared by the Department of the Treasury, *Review of International Taxation Arrangements*.
- 2. You can obtain a copy of the Treasurer's press release from <a href="http://www.treasurer.gov.au">http://www.treasurer.gov.au</a>. The consultation paper is also available from www.taxboard.gov.au, by email to internationaltax@taxboard.gov.au or by telephoning Ms Jodi Wood on (02) 6263 4366.
- 3. Comments on the consultation paper may be sent to the Board by 31 October 2002 to:

<u>International Taxation Project</u>
The International Taxation Project

The Board of Taxation

or or c/- the Treasury

Langton Crescent

by fax to (02) 6263 4470 PARKES ACT 2600

4. The Treasurer has asked the Board to report to him by 31 December 2002.

#### Consultation Processes

- 5. The Board has established a Working Group comprising Mr Tony D'Aloisio (chair), Mr Brett Heading and Mr Chris Jordan to oversee the Board's consultations on the consultation paper.
- 6. The Board will issue a press release summarising the consultation arrangements proposed in this plan, inviting members of the public to participate in its consultations, and advising that a copy of this consultation plan may be obtained from <a href="www.taxboard.gov.au">www.taxboard.gov.au</a>, by email from <a href="mailto:internationaltax@taxboard.gov.au">internationaltax@taxboard.gov.au</a>, or by telephoning Ms Jodi Wood on (02) 6263 4366.
- 7. The Board will also:
- (a) publicise the consultations through its web site;
- (b) call for comments on the consultation paper in advertisements placed in a daily newspaper circulating throughout each State and Territory; and
- (c) write to a number of individuals and organisations who have expressed an interest in the consultation paper, or whom the Board considers may have an interest in the paper, to advise them that the consultation paper is available for public comment.
- 8. The Board will make a copy of every submission available on its web site, <a href="www.taxboard.gov.au">www.taxboard.gov.au</a>, unless the submission is confidential. The public release of submissions will also be governed by the *Freedom of Information Act 1974*.
- 9. The Board will also hold a seminar on the consultation paper. The seminar will provide an opportunity for stakeholders to learn about and workshop the issues raised by the consultation paper.

- 10. To facilitate the preparation of submissions, the Board will invite representative stakeholders, groups or organisations to meetings early in the consultation period to discuss the consultation paper. It will invite the Department of the Treasury to participate in the meetings, to assist stakeholders to gain a better understanding of the consultation paper. Expressions of interest in participating in these consultations should be made to <a href="mailto:internationaltax@taxboard.gov.au">internationaltax@taxboard.gov.au</a> or to Ms Jodi Wood on (02) 6263 4366. The location and timing of the meetings will be determined in the light of interest expressed.
- 11. The Board may also hold a further round of consultations shortly after 31 October 2002, the closing date for submissions, to assist it in framing its own recommendations and in synthesising the comments made on the consultation paper. Participants in these consultations will principally be drawn from those who give the Board substantive comments on the consultation paper.
- 12. The Board's report to the Treasurer will include its own recommendations on the consultation paper, a synthesis of the comments it receives on the consultation paper, and a copy of those comments.
- 13. For further information about this consultation plan, contact Mr Robert Patch: telephone (02) 6263 4339, or by email to <a href="mailto:internationaltax@taxboard.gov.au">internationaltax@taxboard.gov.au</a>.