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Prince Leonard  
Office of the Sovereign  
Principality of Hutt River  
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Via Western Australia 6535

Dear Prince Leonard

Thank you for your letter of 26 November 2016 regarding the Casley Family land compensation claim.

I must explain that the *Australia Act 1986* terminated the responsibility of the British Government, and Her Majesty The Queen, in relation to State matters and the Governor of a State does not have authority to intervene in such matters.

I appreciate that you will be disappointed that I can only reiterate that Her Excellency or Her Majesty The Queen are unable to assist in this matter and I note that you have addressed your concerns to the Premier which is the appropriate course.

Yours sincerely



Carol Buckley MVO  
**OFFICIAL SECRETARY**