

Mr Ian Cady Associate Director Urbis GPO Box 5278 SYDNEY NSW 2000 Our ref: MP10_0016 File: 10/03532-1

Dear Mr Cady,

Request for Declaration of Major Project, The Scottish Hospital, 2 Cooper Street, Paddington (MP10_0016)

Thank you for your recent correspondence seeking the Minister's opinion as to whether your proposal is a Major Project under Part 3A of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* at the above site.

I am writing to advise you that as the delegate for the Minister, I have formed the opinion that your proposal meets the mandatory criteria for a Major Project under the *State Environmental Planning Policy (Major Projects) 2005* and is therefore a project to which Part 3A of the Act applies.

In forming the opinion to declare the project, I consider that a number of matters will require careful and detailed consideration, including the preservation of trees and tree canopy, heritage impacts, height, bulk and scale of new buildings and traffic generation.

The Director General's Environmental Assessment Requirements (DGR's) will include these issues and they will need to be addressed in your Environmental Assessment.

Please note that Section 75E of the Act requires you to lodge a Major Project application with the Director-General. You should include with your application a completed application form, and a Political Donations Declaration Statement.

Should you have any further enquiries regarding this Project, I have arranged for Michael Woodland, Director, Metropolitan Projects to assist you. Michael may be contacted on telephone number (02) 9228 6150 or via email <u>michael.woodland@planning.nsw.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely 9/3/10

Richard Pearson Deputy Director-General Development Assessment & Systems Performance