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Dear Mr McDonald

Thank you for your letters advising of Petition 547 and Petition 553.

In 2022, a non-binding Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between the Victorian Government and SIBAT to advance Victorian manufacturing. The MoU has not resulted in any projects and will expire on 7 December 2024. The Victorian Government has determined to not renew the MoU beyond this date.

In 2020, the Victorian Government entered an agreement with Elbit Systems' Australian subsidiary, ELSA, on a project to partner with Victorian research institutions. The project was completed earlier this year. Therefore, the Victorian Government is no longer providing support to ELSA for this project.

Yours sincerely

  
**Hon Jacinta Allan MP**  
Member for Bendigo East  
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cc Jaclyn Symes MP, Attorney-General

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