

Acknowledgement of Confidentiality Requirements to facilitate viewing of the draft TPP Negotiating Text by Members of the Australian Parliament and their staff

I, _____, have been informed of and acknowledge the following:

In keeping with the usual procedure for confidential briefings to Senators and Members of Parliament, I will be allowed to view the current Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement (TPP) negotiating text, subject to certain confidentiality requirements.

These requirements are consistent with the undertaking by Australia and other negotiating partners to treat negotiating texts and other documents exchanged in the course of the negotiations as confidential government information in order to facilitate candid and productive negotiations.

1. I will not divulge any of the text or information obtained in the briefing to any party.
2. I will not copy, transcribe or remove the negotiating text.
3. I further acknowledge that:

The negotiating text is confidential and sensitive;

Disclosure of the negotiating text may affect adversely TPP negotiations and Australia's relations with other TPP partners.

4. I therefore agree that these confidentiality requirements shall apply for four years after entry into force of the TPP, or if no agreement enters into force, for four years after the last round of negotiations.

Signed:

Print Name

Signature

Date: _____