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RESPONSE:

- URGENT
- Minister
- Chief of Staff
- Action Direct

- Provide to ESU copy of signed response or details of action taken

- DLO to action
- No Response Required (Note and File)
- Ministerial Brief for Noting required

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Name: _____

Organisation: _____

Issue: Article in Sunday
mail regarding
Birthing kits

Previous Dept Ref #: _____

INSTRUCTIONS:

Reviewed by: [Signature]

Date: _____

Sent to ESU by: [Signature]

Date: 26 FEB 2019

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Workflow: Action Direct

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Classification: ELS

Brief Template: _____

Letter Template: _____

Assignee: CEQ

Due Date: _____

Opening Paragraph: _____

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From: s.47(3)(b) [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, February 24, 2019 6:32 PM
To: Health
Subject: Greetings

Expires: Friday, August 23, 2019 12:00 AM

Dear Minister

So surprised to see you sprouting on TV this week – complete with that Colgate smile. (I hope you're not getting a bit on the side from Colgate Palmolive!)

Now for the serious bit. I read in today's Sunday Mail that you're about to distribute ten cent birthing kits to pregnant mothers who live distant from a hospital. Are there no ambulances available to take the good ladies to the nearest hospital, or even deliver the baby in an emergency situation? Ambulance officers have done this before, you know. There have been occasions where even passers-by have attended the mother; in these days of mobile phones help should never be too far away unless you live in Birdsville or remote Cape York.

To me it just looks like another waste of public money – but that's no surprise, governments of all persuasions are very good at that. Perhaps your actions of wasting half a million dollars, insulting the family and desecrating the memory of a great Queenslander to rebadge a hospital while mothers-to-be get a ten cent birth kit highlights how that money could have been better spent.

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Keep smiling – it's one of your more valuable assets.

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