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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, 16 September 2021 7:41 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: For Action: InnovAus response [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Thanks [REDACTED] – its good getting your fresh eyes on it!

[REDACTED] - edits made [20210916 InnovAus Article Response.docx](#).

Below is a draft email for Rebecca to send to [REDACTED] if she wishes. I don't know if I am delving into too much detail, so please amend as needed.

[REDACTED]

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Hi [REDACTED]

I'm not sure whether you had to review today's headlines - but I wanted get in touch to clarify comments attributed to the Commissioner that were published in [an article](#) by Innovation Australia today.

In the article, it's suggested that the Commissioner and eSafety believe Australians will be unsupportive of using a government digital identity system to access online pornography. In line with the transparent and collaborative relationship we have, I wanted you to know that these comments were taken somewhat out of context. Julie's comments referred the adoption of a 'one-tool system' - where a government-managed tool would be the only key to accessing online pornography for Australian adults.

The article itself has taken a surprising turn as the interview was organised to discuss and clarify eSafety's new powers under the *new Online Safety Act*. It was a combative interview which veered into various subject matter we did not expect to cover.

I want to provide reassurances that eSafety is very supportive of the approach the DTA is undertaking with the TDIF and the AV trials. The TDIF is a strong and robust model we are looking at for the technical elements of the AV roadmap.

I'm happy to speak further on this should you wish – I just wanted to give you additional context to ensure we remain on the same page.

Regards
Rebecca

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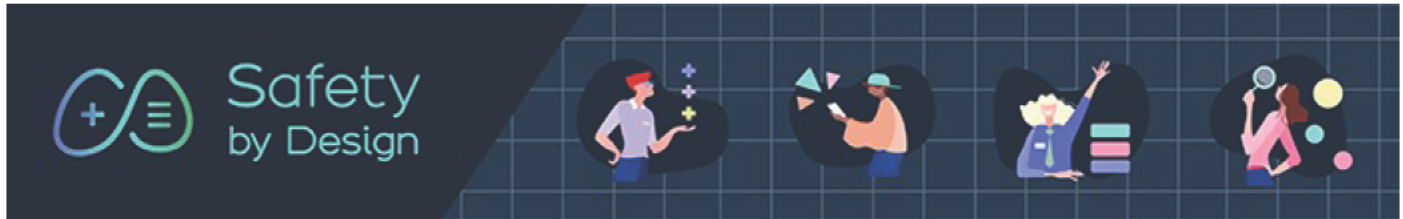
Thanks, [REDACTED]! I've suggested some edits in comments to clarify all the pieces of DTA's work since I'm not familiar with this space at all – but it may be that Julie and Comms are across it. Happy to chat.

Thanks!






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Hi both

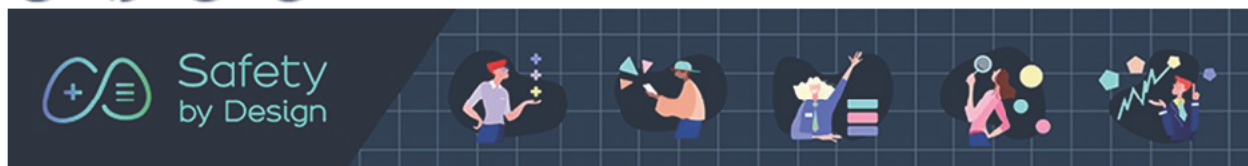
Please see points in response to the Innovation Aus article.  – the UK/AV challenges may need to be enhanced.
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Cheers



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