

## THE GREEK ORTHODOX COMMUNITY OF MELBOURNE AND VICTORIA

ελληνική ορθοδοξή κοινότητα μελβούρνης και βικτωρίας

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The Hon Joh Frydenberg Treasurer of Australia PO Box 6022 House of Representatives Parliament House Canberra ACT 2600

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Dear Treasurer,

## **RE:** Double Taxation Agreement between Australia and Greece

We write to you looking to encourage the establishment of a Double Taxation Agreement (DTA) between Australia and Greece.

As I am sure you well know a DTA is one of the most common diplomatic agreements between nations. Treasury shows 43 current and active DTA's between Australia and countries all over the world.

As you may well appreciate, the Greek community in Australia is a vibrant and active community keen to encourage better ties and economic activity between Australia and Greece. Whilst the cultural and personal ties are strong, a lack of a DTA is proving to be a major impediment in encouraging better economic ties.

We appreciate that there is an equal burden to be placed on the Greek Government and to that extent we have recently written to the Greek Prime Minsiter on this matter.

We seek your support on this matter and would welcome any opportunity to discuss the issues our community faces with you and or your staff at your convenience.

Kindest Regards Marini