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The Hon. Dr Anne Aly,  
Minister for Early Childhood Education,  
House of Representatives  
Parliament House Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Dr Aly,  
Congratulations on your appointment as Minister for Early Childhood Education.

Graduate Women-NSW Inc. has as one of its main areas of focus a concern with government policies that have an impact on women and their education and wellbeing. Early Childhood Education is an area which has a double impact on women's education and well-being. Firstly, because support for girls' education in the early years can have a lasting effect on achievements throughout life; and secondly because opportunities for subsidised childcare can enable women and men who care for small children to undertake programs of education themselves or to engage in paid (or unpaid) work.

Australian society is complex and the lives led by Australian women are diverse. These factors make any policy implementation challenging, and particularly difficult in areas of such crucial need as the early years of childhood. We look forward to seeing the government's Early Years' Strategy elaborated and implemented over time, in ways that will benefit women both in the shorter term and in the longer term.

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