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Your Excellency

It was a pleasure to meet with you on your recent visit to Queensland and thank you for our discussion. This Government recognises and values the strength of our relationship with Japan and the many key connections we share.

Ahead of my upcoming trade mission to Japan, I would be most grateful if you would convey the enclosed letter to the Prime Minister of Japan, His Excellency Mr Ishiba Shigeru, with my best wishes.

Yours sincerely

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Your Excellency

Queensland deeply values the special relationship we enjoy with Japan and it is for this reason I will visit Japan during my first overseas trip as Premier of Queensland.

In support of the enquiries being made on my behalf through diplomatic channels, I write to you directly to express my enthusiasm for an opportunity to meet you while visiting Japan, from Wednesday 3 September to Friday 5 September 2025

I would be honoured to have an opportunity to personally acknowledge our longstanding and deep connections in many areas — people-to-people, trade and investment, research and innovation, and cultural and education exchange.

On Monday 7 July 2025, I met Japan's Ambassador to Australia, His Excellency Mr Kazuhiro Suzuki, and provided an interim update on the planning for the visit.

Queensland plays an integral role in Australia's special partnership with Japan. I shared with the Ambassador that I have spoken to our Prime Minister, the Honourable Anthony Albanese MP, to advocate for Queensland to host the 2026 Quad Leaders' Summit.

Queensland hosted the G20 Leaders' Summit in November 2014 in our capital city, Brisbane. Queensland is uniquely placed to host the 2026 Quad Leaders' Summit given our state's strategic geography in the region.

I would appreciate discussing this opportunity with you to further strengthen our economic, security and defence ties across the Indo-Pacific.

Recently, Queensland joined Australia at World Expo 2025 Osaka as the first Gold Partner of the Australia Pavilion. The first Japanese Consulate in Australia was opened in 1896 in Townsville, North Queensland. Queensland's longest sister state relationship is with Saitama Prefecture and I look forward to visiting this area to strengthen this relationship.

I will be accompanied by Mr Damien Walker, Director-General, and Ms Yasmahne Hanel, Director, Protocol and International Engagement, both from the Queensland Department of the Premier and Cabinet, as well as Mrs Katie Omrod, Policy Director, in my office.

Queensland officials will continue to work closely with your Government's representatives in Brisbane and Canberra, and with the Australian Federal Government representatives in Japan, in arranging my visit. For any further information that would assist consideration of this enquiry, your office may contact Ms Hanel by email at [yasmahne.hanel@premiers.qld.gov.au](mailto:yasmahne.hanel@premiers.qld.gov.au) or on telephone +61 7 3003 9249.

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Your Excellency

It was a pleasure to meet with you on your recent visit to Queensland and thank you for our discussion. This Government recognises and values the strength of our relationship with India and the many key connections we share.

Ahead of my upcoming trade mission to India, I would be most grateful if you would convey the enclosed letter to the Prime Minister of India, the Honourable Shri Narendra Modi, with my sincerest best wishes.

Yours sincerely

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Dear Prime Minister

India is a key emerging strategic partner for Queensland. We have been great friends for a long period of time, and this relationship is one I believe has significant potential for greatness.

Beyond our growing bilateral trade and investment relationship, education exchanges and deep people-to-people connections, we have more that connects us. Queensland is a key location for the Pacific region, a hub for significant Australia Defence Force assets and activities, and the host of the 2032 Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games.

I will visit India during my first overseas trip as Premier of Queensland from Saturday 30 August 2025 to Tuesday 2 September 2025. In support of the enquiries being made on my behalf through diplomatic channels, I write to directly to express my enthusiasm for an opportunity to meet you while visiting India.

I would be honoured to have such an opportunity to personally acknowledge our longstanding and deep connections in many areas.

I met India's High Commissioner to Australia, His Excellency Mr Gopal Baglay, this month, and shared my enthusiasm for ways Queensland and India can expand our relationship together. We discussed the clear value in a direct flight between India and Queensland being established, the synergies possible over the next decade that includes the Olympic Games in Queensland, and my strong interest in Queensland hosting a Kabaddi tournament of some significance.

I shared with the High Commissioner that I have spoken to our Prime Minister, the Honourable Anthony Albanese MP, to advocate for Queensland to host the 2026 Quad Leaders' Summit. Queensland hosted the G20 Leaders' Summit in November 2014 in our capital city, Brisbane, also the location of India's newest Consulate in Australia.

The High Commissioner kindly noted the dates for my upcoming visit to India. I will be accompanied on the visit by Mr Damien Walker, Director-General, and Ms Yasmahne Hanel, Director, Protocol and International Engagement, both from the Queensland Department of the Premier and Cabinet, as well as Mr Jason Tibbitts, Deputy Chief of Staff in my office.

Queensland officials will continue to work closely with your Government's representatives in Brisbane and Canberra, and with the Australian Federal Government representatives in India, in arranging my visit.

For further information that would assist consideration of this enquiry, your office may contact Ms Yasmahne Hanel, Director, Protocol and International Engagement, by email at [yasmahne.hanel@premiers.qld.gov.au](mailto:yasmahne.hanel@premiers.qld.gov.au) or on telephone +61 7 3003 9249.

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## Premier and Minister for Veterans

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14 MAY 2025

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Dear Prime Minister

*Anthony*

I write to express Queensland's strong interest in being considered the host location for the next QUAD Leaders' Summit (the Summit), when it is Australia's turn to chair this important regional dialogue.

Queensland is uniquely positioned to support the strategic objectives of the QUAD partnership. As Australia's gateway to the Indo-Pacific, Queensland shares deep and longstanding ties with our QUAD partners — India, Japan and the United States — across trade, education, defence, and people-to-people exchange. Hosting the next Summit in Queensland would not only symbolise Australia's commitment to regional cooperation and security, but also reinforce the vital role our northern and eastern states play in shaping Indo-Pacific engagement.

Queensland offers world-class venues, international accessibility through major airports in Brisbane, Cairns and the Gold Coast, and proven experience in hosting high-level international events. Queensland also has strong defence infrastructure, research capability and economic synergies with QUAD priorities, particularly in advanced manufacturing, critical minerals, and innovation.

Within the first few months of coming into office, Trade Missions and Official Visits were undertaken by Ministers from the Government to each of our QUAD partners, with the Honourable Ros Bates MP, Minister for Finance, Trade, Employment and Training, visiting Japan in December 2024 and India in February 2025, and the Honourable Dale Last MP, Minister for Natural Resources and Mines, Minister for Manufacturing and Minister for Regional and Rural Development, visiting the United States in February-March 2025. We see great opportunity for our state and country to continue to strengthen these relationships through the hosting of the Summit.

The Queensland Government would welcome the opportunity to collaborate closely with the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, and relevant national and state security agencies to assess the feasibility of hosting such a meeting. The Queensland Government stands ready to provide logistical, security, and operational support to ensure the success of the Summit, should it be held in this state.

Thank you for considering this proposal and I would be pleased to discuss it further, at your convenience.

Yours sincerely

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