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Robert Vojakovic President Asbestos Diseases Society of Australia PO Box 1394 Osborne Park, WA 6916 Australia

Dear Mr Vojakovic,

As Chair of the UK All-Party Parliamentary Group on Occupational Health and Safety and its asbestos sub-committee, I would like to take this opportunity to wish the Asbestos Diseases Society of Australia (ADSA) well on their coming 600 kilometre walk through the Australian desert to raise money for asbestos-related disease research.

In the UK we have heard the stories of the mine in Wittenoom and the effects it is having on the residents, and, while we have fortunately never had mining in the UK, we do have areas blighted by having been near asbestos factories in the past.

We hope that the money you raise will help the research that is taking place in Western Australia to find new treatment options and hopefully a cure for these terrible diseases.

Yours sincerely,

Jim Sheridan MP

Chair

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