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Dear Rosslyn

I write to commend the Human Rights Commission on the production of the Report of the Inquiry into Discrimination Experienced by Transgender People, *To Be Who I Am*. The Government notes the achievement of the Commission in completing the world's first inquiry by a national human rights institution into discrimination experienced by transgender people.

The report provides an important insight into the difficulties faced, and courage displayed by transgender people on a day to day basis.

The Government will work to protect the rights of transgendered people, as it does for all New Zealanders. I have asked officials from the Ministry of Justice to oversee and coordinate the assessment and implementation of the report's recommendations, and have also written to my Cabinet colleagues requesting the support of their respective departments.

Again, my compliments on a significant piece of work.

Yours sincerely

Hon Annette King  
Minister of Justice