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Dear Mr Levick,

Thank you for your e-mail addressed to the Department for Constitutional Affairs regarding the legal basis of the Australian Constitution. Your letter has been passed to me for reply as a member of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office responsible for the UK's relations with Australia.

Unfortunately I am not in a position to advise you on this matter. It is the long established view of successive British Governments that Australia's constitutional arrangements are a matter for Australia to determine. If you have any further enquiries about this matter I suggest that you contact the relevant department of the Australian Government regarding this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Matt Drummond
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