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The Honourable Justice R O Blanch
Chairperson
Medical Tribunal
DX 11518 SYDNEY DOWNTOWN

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CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Judge Blanch

Dr John Phillip Rolleston
Extension of suspension order pursuant to section 67 of the Medical Practice Act

Dr Rolleston was originally suspended on 25 March 2010 for a period of eight weeks pursuant to section 66 of the Medical Practice Act 1992. The current suspension order expires on **19 May 2010**.

Section 67 of the Act provides that the period of suspension imposed by the Board may be extended if the extension has been approved in writing by the Chairperson or a Deputy Chairperson of the Medical Tribunal and the matter has not been disposed of.

The Board has recently considered the reasons for decision at the original hearing, a copy of which is attached for your information and attention.

Dr Rolleston was advised that he may provide written submissions in relation to any extension of the current period of suspension. The Board has not received any such submission.

The Board has noted that the complaint from the section 66 hearing is under investigation with the Health Care Complaints Commission and has yet to be disposed of.

The Board has ordered that Dr Rolleston's suspension should be extended for a further period of eight weeks from **20 May 2010** to **14 July 2010**, subject to the approval of the Chairperson or a Deputy Chairperson of the Tribunal.

The Board therefore seeks your written approval to extend the period of suspension for a further period of eight weeks in accordance with section 67 of the Act.

Please do not hesitate to contact me on 9879 2251 should you wish to discuss this matter.

Yours faithfully

Karen Steer
Conduct Officer