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Chair Dental Board of Australia GPO Box 9958 Melbourne VIC 3001 By email

Dear Dr Lockwood

## CONSULTATION DRAFT – PROPOSED REGISTRATION STANDARD: SECTION 53(B) GENERAL REGISTRATION FOR DENTAL PRACTITIONERS WITH QUALIFICATIONS SUBSTANTIALLY EQUIVALENT TO APPROVED QUALIFICATIONS

The Queensland Board of the Dental Board of Australia advises that it has noted the abovenamed proposed registration standard provided by the Dental Board of Australia and is pleased to provide the following comments:

- 1. Summary the proposed Registration Standard might benefit by inclusion of further information about obtaining registration for holders of overseas qualifications that are not on the published list of Approved Qualifications from Overseas Jurisdictions
- 2. Review the Queensland Board noted that the Registration Standard will be reviewed every three years and suggests that during the next three years some assessment of the accreditation process for the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland qualifications be conducted to satisfy the Dental Board of Australia that the qualifications are substantially equivalent – the Queensland Board noted that the other approved qualifications listed from New Zealand and Canada have been accredited by bodies that have recently been recognised by the Australian Dental Council.

The Queensland Board hopes this is of assistance

Yours sincerely

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