



A strong plan for Australia.

Lang Abbott.

The Liberals

What the next election is all about.

The question that should still be asked of Labor is:

*“What do you really stand for,
and what can you actually deliver?”*

This will be the key question in the forthcoming election.

Why?

Because Australians need a government with the capability and conviction to deliver on its promises.

The Coalition is determined to offer a clear alternative to the Australian people.

And this Action Contract is my firm commitment to take real action and to deliver on our promises.

If you support real action, vote for the Coalition and that's what you'll get.



Tony Abbott.



TONY ABBOTT AND THE COALITION TEAM HAVE A STRONG TRACK RECORD OF GETTING THINGS DONE IN GOVERNMENT.

**This document contains my Contract
for real action for Australia.**

It comprises 12 realistic, modest and prudent election commitments that are achievable and deliverable over the next three years.

I guarantee to take real action to deliver on these commitments because I believe that actions speak far louder than gestures, words and stunts.

The Coalition will deliver on these commitments.

Tony Abbott.



RESTORE THE BUDGET SURPLUS WITHIN THREE YEARS AND START PAYING LABOR'S DEBT

THIS WILL PUT DOWNWARD PRESSURE
ON INTEREST RATES AND PROTECT
OUR STANDARD OF LIVING.

IT WILL HELP TO ENSURE THAT CURRENT
AND FUTURE GENERATIONS OF AUSTRALIANS
WILL NOT BE BURDENED BY UNNECESSARY
DEBT AND UNNECESSARILY
HIGH DEBT INTEREST PAYMENTS.



END LABOR'S WASTE AND RESTORE CABINET GOVERNMENT

LABOR HAS WASTED TOO MUCH TAXPAYERS' MONEY.
THE COALITION WON'T REPEAT LABOR'S
DISASTROUS 'PINK BATTS' PROGRAM.

THE COALITION WILL ALSO STOP THE BILLIONS
OF DOLLARS BEING WASTED THROUGH THE
'SCHOOL HALLS' PROGRAM, AND CUT SPENDING
ON GOVERNMENT ADVERTISING.

BAD PROCESSES PRODUCE BAD DECISIONS.

UNLIKE LABOR WHERE DECISIONS ARE MADE
WITHOUT PROPER PROCESS OR CONSULTATION,
THE COALITION WILL RESTORE THE DECISION-MAKING
PROCESSES OF CABINET TO RESTORE INTEGRITY
TO GOVERNMENT DECISION-MAKING.

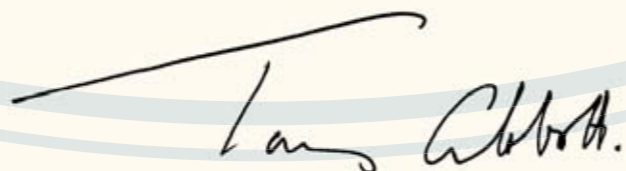




**REJECT LABOR'S
MASSIVE NEW
MINING TAX AND
OTHER TAXES
THAT HURT
PRODUCTIVITY**

THIS WILL HELP MAINTAIN AUSTRALIA'S
COMPETITIVENESS IN THE GLOBAL MARKETPLACE.

IT WILL DELIVER LONG-TERM SECURITY TO
BUSINESSES AND THEIR EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE
LONG BEEN IN THE ENGINE ROOM OF AUSTRALIA'S
STRONG ECONOMIC GROWTH AND PROSPERITY.



**END GOVERNMENT
DISCRIMINATION
AGAINST
SMALL BUSINESS**

THE COALITION WILL ENSURE MORE
GOVERNMENT WORK FOR SMALL BUSINESSES
AND INTRODUCE NEW RULES TO ENSURE
THE GOVERNMENT PAYS
ITS BILLS TO SMALL BUSINESS ON TIME.

THIS WILL GIVE SMALL BUSINESS
THE OPPORTUNITY TO GROW AND
EMPLOY MORE AUSTRALIANS.





ENFORCE STRICT BORDER SECURITY AND CONTROL

THE COALITION WILL MAINTAIN RIGOROUS
OFFSHORE PROCESSING OF THOSE
ARRIVING ILLEGALLY BY BOAT, REINTRODUCE
TEMPORARY PROTECTION VISAS
(TO DEPRIVE PEOPLE-SMUGGLERS
OF A PRODUCT TO SELL)
AND BE READY, WHERE POSSIBLE,
TO TURN BOATS BACK.

Law Abbott



LINK POPULATION GROWTH TO THE PROVISION OF BETTER INFRASTRUCTURE

THE COALITION WILL SET IMMIGRATION
NUMBERS ON THE BASIS OF ECONOMIC
AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY.

Law Abbott



TAKE DIRECT ACTION ON WATER AND THE ENVIRONMENT

THE COALITION WILL PROVIDE HOLISTIC
MANAGEMENT OF THE WHOLE MURRAY-DARLING
WATER SYSTEM SO THAT WATER CAN BE DISTRIBUTED
FAIRLY AND EQUITABLY AMONG ALL
THOSE PEOPLE WHO DEPEND UPON IT.

THE COALITION IS THE ONLY MAJOR
POLITICAL GROUP WITH A CLEAR POLICY
TO ADDRESS CLIMATE CHANGE – OUR EMISSIONS
REDUCTION FUND WILL PURCHASE ABATEMENTS
TO IMPROVE THE ENVIRONMENT AND
REDUCE EMISSIONS BY 5 PER CENT BY 2020.



PROTECT PRIVATE HEALTH AND IMPROVE THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND HOSPITAL SYSTEM

THE COALITION WILL INTRODUCE
LOCAL HOSPITAL BOARDS STAFFED
BY LOCAL HEALTH EXPERTS.

BY PRESERVING THE PRIVATE
HEALTH REBATE, THE COALITION WILL
HELP TO TAKE THE STRAIN OFF THE
PUBLIC HEALTH SYSTEM
AND REDUCE WAITING TIMES.



**HELP
GROWING FAMILIES
TO GET AHEAD
WITH SIX MONTHS
PAID PARENTAL LEAVE**

THIS WILL GIVE MOTHERS THE RIGHT
TO THEIR FULL WAGE FOR SIX MONTHS
SO THEY CAN STAY AT HOME WITH THEIR NEW
BABY AND TO SUPPORT AND STRENGTHEN
YOUNG FAMILIES WHEN THEY MOST NEED HELP.

Law Abbott.



**PROVIDE
SAFER
NEIGHBOURHOODS**

THE COALITION WILL WORK WITH LOCAL
COUNCILS AND POLICE TO ENSURE
THAT MORE CRIME-PRONE AREAS HAVE
CLOSED CIRCUIT TV (CCTV).

Law Abbott.



RAISE STANDARDS IN EDUCATION

THE COALITION WILL WORK WITH THE
STATES TO GIVE PRINCIPALS THE RIGHT
TO PAY THE BEST TEACHERS MORE.



RESTORE WORK-FOR-THE-DOLE AND MUTUAL OBLIGATION

THE COALITION BELIEVES THAT WORKING AGE
PEOPLE IN GOOD HEALTH SHOULD WORK
– PREFERABLY FOR A WAGE
BUT, IF NOT, FOR THE DOLE.

THE COALITION WILL REVERSE LABOR'S SOFTENING
OF MUTUAL OBLIGATION REQUIREMENTS.

Tom Abbott.

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WE WILL NOT BRING BACK WORK CHOICES

AND WE WILL NOT BRING BACK AWAs.

WE WILL WORK WITHIN LABOR'S
INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS FRAMEWORK
TO ENCOURAGE GREATER PRODUCTIVITY
BY BRINGING GREATER FLEXIBILITY
INTO THE WORKPLACE TO BENEFIT BOTH
EMPLOYEES AND EMPLOYERS.


Tony Abbott.



CLIMATE CHANGE NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED

WE WILL TAKE REAL ACTION TO REDUCE
AUSTRALIA'S CARBON EMISSIONS WITHOUT
INTRODUCING A GREAT BIG NEW TAX.

WE WILL TACKLE LAND DEGRADATION ISSUES
AND REPAIR AND RESTORE OUR ENVIRONMENT
BY ESTABLISHING, WITHIN FOUR YEARS,
A 15,000 STRONG PERMANENT WORKFORCE
DEDICATED TO PROTECTING OUR ENVIRONMENT
AND ADJUSTING TO CLIMATE CHANGE.


Tony Abbott.

We stand by the values that have always guided our commitments.

We stand for lower taxes
and real tax reform for families.

We stand for budget surpluses and
real reductions in government debt.

We stand for spending money
prudently and wisely.

We stand for securing borders
and sending illegal immigrants back.

We stand for small business and rewarding
their initiative and effort.

We stand for real action on health and giving
health decisions back to communities.

We stand for real action
on our environmental issues.

We stand for real action
on sustainable population growth

We stand for taking real action, seeing things
through and getting things done.

We stand up and take responsibility
for our election promises.

The Liberals