

# The Treasury

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**To:** John Crawford; Chris White  
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John/Chris,

We have finished with Rio on major issues and have agreed a deal in principle. Most documentation is already done and we are aiming to complete the rest by the time of the Ministers meeting. It is never over till the fat lady sings - but barring some legal drafting issue - we are there. Subject to Board approval of course [2,5,6]

If you want to talk about it, send me an email and I will call.

Mark

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