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The Hon Greg Hunt MP
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We have pleasure in submitting to you, for presentation to Parliament, the sixty-eighth Annual Report of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) for the year ending 30 June 2016. This report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the *Science and Industry Research Act 1949* and in accordance with section 46 of the *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013* (PGPA Act) and the *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Amendment (Corporate Commonwealth Entity Annual Reporting) Rule 2016*.

The report was endorsed for presentation to you at the meeting of the CSIRO Board members on 8 September 2016.

The report includes an appendix comprising a report from the Chief Executive of CSIRO, as trustee of the Science and Industry Endowment Fund (the Fund), established under the *Science and Industry Endowment Act 1926*, on the operations of the Fund together with a report by the Auditor-General on the accounts of the Fund.

The Corporate Commonwealth Annual Reporting Rule requires CSIRO to report any significant activities and changes that affected the organisation or structure. During the annual reporting period, CSIRO integrated NICTA and Digital Productivity activities as Data61, which took effect from 1 July 2016. Also during this period, CSIRO reorganised its Food and Nutrition Business Unit, merging its Bioproducts and Food Programs into an expanded Agriculture and Food Business Unit, and merging the Nutrition and Health Program with the Biosecurity Business Unit to form the Health and Biosecurity Business Unit.

We commend the Organisation's achievements to you.

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Mr David Thodey
Chairman of the CSIRO Board

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Dr Larry Marshall
Chief Executive of the CSIRO