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Victorian Ministry for the Arts

Director: Paul Clarkson

Mr. Barrett Reid, 5 Templestowe Road, BULLEEN. 3105.

Dear Mr. Reid,

ARTS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM - 1989

I refer to your application for financial assistance under the above program and am pleased to advise you that the Minister for the Arts has approved a grant of \$10,000 towards publication costs of 'Overland' for 1989.

This funding approval is subject to your acceptance of the following conditions.

- A report covering print run, sales, and income and expenditure on a per issue basis, together with a statement of income and expenditure for the year, is to be submitted to the Ministry by 30 April, 1990.
- Authorized officers of the Ministry are to be allowed to inspect any relevant accounting records;
- An acknowledgement of "Victorian Ministry for the Arts" support in a size and in a form commensurate with acknowledgements provided to other contributors to the organisation, is to be included in any publicity materials or programmes.

Remittance of the grant will be arranged shortly and your acceptance of this payment will be taken to indicate your agreement to the above conditions.

While there can be no guarantee of future funding for your organisation, it should be noted that if you are seeking financial support from the Ministry for your 1990 program, the closing date for submission of applications will be 30 June, 1989. Application forms for the 1990 funding program will be available after 31 March, 1989, however they will only be forwarded to those organisations submitting a written request to the Ministry.

Yours sincerely,

Paul Clarkson,

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Dear Mr. Clarkson,

Grants Program 1989

I received yesterday your letter notifying that the Ministry has agreed to the application by Overland magazine for a grant in 1989. The conditions of the grant are noted and meet, of course, with our full acceptance. This grant of \$10,000 is much appreciated by the Overland Society which, as you know is a non profit making body all of whose members are honorary and do not draw either expenses or honorariums. We note that your Ministry was unable to respond to our request for emergency assistance to enable the magazine to cover the period after the death of Stephen Murray-Smith when his estate was still not released from probate and our pressing financial difficulties were compounded because our large defecit had been covered by the late Dr. Murray-Smith's personal overdraft. Our financial difficulties, also, are further exacerbated by the steeply rising costs of printing and posting the magazine while your grant for the coming year remains the same as for previous years and so, in real money terms is effectively reduced. However, the background to this effective reduction in the Ministry's financial assistance is understood by the Overland Society in the context of the Ministry's over-all financial constraints. The concern and constructive assistance of Ministry staff is very much appreciated.

The Society may at its next meeting wish to consider asking the Minister to give further consideration to our need for special assistance at this time in the form of a once-only extra grant.

Yours sincerely,

Barrett Reid

Barrett Reid, (Editor)