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Scientia Professor Michelle Simmons AO Centre of Excellence for Quantum Computation and Communication Technology University of New South Wales Kensington NSW 2052

Dear Professor Simmons,

I am writing to congratulate you on winning the Prime Minister's Prize for Science and to acquaint you with the work of Graduate Women-NSW.

GW-NSW has worked for over 125 years to empower women through education. We view Education as essential for Empowering Women; Reducing Poverty Improving Health; Understanding Human Rights; and, Maintaining Human Security and Building Peace. We work to achieve this chiefly through a range of scholarships across all levels of education, through donations and sponsorships to education bodies both in Australia and overseas, and through advocacy for the advancement of women and girls in education.

We aim to

- Promote equitable educational opportunities and lifelong learning
- Improve the status and well-being of women and girls
- Encourage women and girls to be active leaders and decision-makers in public and private life.
- Inspire and support women graduates to put their education and professional training to the service of the local, national and international community.

The groundbreaking research that you and your team are involved in is of immense significance.

More particularly we value you as a role model for young women you provide in leading in a non traditional field.

We wish you well and are proud and excited to have a woman of your outstanding calibre in such a significant position in the Australian Education system.

'Tricia Blombery President Graduate Women - NSW