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MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY**

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Dear Dr Cooney

Thank you for your nomination to include *Trisyntopa scatophaga* (antbed parrot moth) on the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act) list of threatened species.

Your nomination has been assessed by the Threatened Species Scientific Committee against the criteria for listing under the EPBC Act and the Committee has recommended that the antbed parrot moth is eligible for listing as Endangered. I have accepted its recommendation and am therefore writing to advise you that your nomination has resulted in a successful listing of the species. The listing of the antbed parrot moth will provide significant protection for this species.

The reasons for the Committee's recommendations are detailed in the Conservation Advice for the species which will soon be available on the Department of the Environment and Energy's website at: <http://www.environment.gov.au/cgi-bin/sprat/public/sprat.pl>

I have also accepted the Committee's recommendation that there should not be a recovery plan for the antbed parrot moth as the approved Conservation Advice provides sufficient direction to implement priority actions and mitigate against key threats.

I appreciate the time you have taken in preparing your nomination, and would like to thank you for taking an interest in Australia's native species.

Yours sincerely

JOSH FRYDENBERG