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## To whom it may concern

Re: Consultation on ending the higher degree exemption from sitting the National Psychology Examination

With regard to the abovementioned exemption, I would like to provide my comments and advise that I support:-

Option b) higher degree students would be required to sit the National Psychology Examination if they apply for general registration on or after 1 July 2017

When I commenced my studies (PhD Clinical Psychology) in February 2013 the guidelines were not in place, hence, I undertook my studies with the knowledge that I could apply for registration upon the completion of my studies without having to sit the exam. Therefore, all students who commence their higher degrees at that time should be exempt as long as they finish their studies prior to the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017.

Kind regards

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