

**From:** [Mills, John \(DETI\)](#)  
**To:** [McCormick, Andrew \(DETI\)](#); [Stewart, Chris \(DETI\)](#)  
**Subject:** NIRO and RHI  
**Date:** 22 January 2016 17:32:04

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**To:** [Mills, John \(DETI\)](#); [McCormick, Andrew \(DETI\)](#)  
**Subject:** Re: NIRO and RHI  
**Date:** 22 January 2016 18:15:18

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**To:** [Stewart, Chris \(DETI\)](#); [Mills, John \(DETI\)](#)  
**Subject:** Re: NIRO and RHI  
**Date:** 22 January 2016 20:10:08

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Has anyone contacted Tim on these?

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**Subject:** NIRO, RHI, Commonwealth Youth Games  
**Date:** 23 January 2016 10:56:47

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**Subject:** Re: NIRO, RHI, Commonwealth Youth Games  
**Date:** 23 January 2016 11:09:26

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**Date:** 23 January 2016 11:17:06

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**Subject:** Re: NIRO, RHI, Commonwealth Youth Games  
**Date:** 24 January 2016 12:01:09

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**Subject:** TRIM: RE: NIRO, RHI, Commonwealth Youth Games  
**Date:** 25 January 2016 02:55:46

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**Date:** 25 January 2016 03:08:54

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