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Thank you Perth for a great show

Tourism Council WA has congratulated Perth and Western Australia for the hosting of the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) over the weekend. CHOGM and its associated events such as the Commonwealth Festival Perth and the 'Big Aussie BBQ' have proved to be a significant occasion in Perth and WA's history.

Tourism Council WA CEO Evan Hall said "it has been a major coup for Perth to host a successful CHOGM and has been an outstanding achievement for the State Government".

"We held a great show and the rest of the world sat up and noticed" said Mr Hall "that's advertising money can't buy."

"Everyone in this town should be congratulated" said Mr Hall "We want to thank all the hotels, restaurants, taxi drivers, wait staff, event organisers and tourism operators for putting on a great show."

"There were no security, transport or BBQ stuff ups" said Mr Hall "just sunshine and a good time."

CHOGM has seen numerous business delegates and diplomats congregate here in Perth over the past few days and will prove to be a boom for the tourism industry here in WA.

"CHOGM has showcased Perth on the international stage as a professional and capable major city" said Mr Hall.

Mr Hall said "the effects will not be felt immediately by the tourism industry but will considerably boost business and event tourism over the next few years as it will attract future major corporate events".

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Media Comment

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