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Dear Ms Holmes

I am writing in response to a question which I took on notice at the hearing held on 1 May 2003. The particular question was from Mr Edwards, MP who asked for "an update of where we are at with air security officers on Australian aircraft between Indonesia and Australia" (p.255).

I can advise that in late 2002 Australia proposed the introduction of air security officers on Australian flights between Australia and Indonesia. Recent contact with Indonesian authorities indicates that Indonesia is not in a position to undertake negotiations on this matter at this time.

Yours sincerely

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