Australia and New Zealand Banking Group Limited

Response to Questions on Notice following 5 October 2016 House of Representatives Economics Committee Hearing

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Question

Mr BANDT: Has the ANZ made donations to political parties?

Mr Elliott: Yes.

Mr BANDT: How much and to whom?

Mr Elliott: I can come back to you. I believe our policy on that is to donate to the major parties. My recollection is that it is the same amount to each major party. But we can come back to you with that.

Mr BANDT: If I suggested to you that between financial years 2004-05 and 2014-15 ANZ donated \$1.65 million to the ALP and to the coalition but to no other political parties does that sound about right?

Mr Elliott: No. Say that again. Are you saying to the two majors?

Mr BANDT: Yes.

Mr Elliott: I would have to go and check. I was not in the bank. I would have to go and check.

Answer

Mr Bandt has correctly stated ANZ's political donations for the period 2004-2005 to 2014-2015. These donations were reported to the Australian Electoral Commission and are publicly available on the Commission's website. ANZ also publishes information about donations in the annual Corporate Governance Statement which is available on the ANZ website.