



Australian Government

Services Australia

Senator Marielle Smith
Chair
Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee
Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Senator Smith

**2023-24 Additional Estimates Hearing,
Wednesday, 14 February 2024 – Clarification of Evidence**

I write to correct an answer provided to the Committee during its examination of Services Australia at the 2023-24 Additional Estimates Hearing on 14 February 2024.

In answering a question from Senator Kovacic regarding the number of overpayments for Age Pensions, (page 30 of the *Hansard* transcript), Ms Gannon stated

“I don't have the quantum. I can say that, as of 31 January this year, we have waived 2,651 debts to a total value of \$8,000”.

The correct value is \$8,000,000, accordingly I would like to correct the Hansard record to correctly reflect the overpayments that were waived as \$8,000,000.

Yours sincerely

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