

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

Dear Senator Smith

**2024-25 Budget Estimates Hearing,
Monday, 3 June 2024 – Clarification of Evidence**

I write to clarify an answer provided to the Committee during its examination of Services Australia at the 2024-25 Budget Estimates Hearing on 3 June 2024.

In answering a question from Senator Rennick regarding the number of COVID-19 Vaccine Claims Scheme claims paid out (page 47 of the *Hansard* transcript), I stated that ‘as at 31 March – that’s where our data is meant to be at – we have received 4,282 claims; 3,522 are finalised, and 760 remain in progress’.

I would like to correct the Hansard record and confirm that the date was as at 29 May.

Yours sincerely,

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