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Education and Employment — Legislation Committee
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Committee Secretary

I am writing in relation to the Education and Employment Senate Estimates — Legislation Committee Hearing of 24 October 2019.

On behalf of the Department of Education, I attach clarifications to the evidence provided to the committee at the recent Hearing (Attachment A).

Yours sincerely

Jocelyn Ashford
2 December 2019

Opportunity through learning

Witness Name: Ms Kelly Pearce

Hansard Reference: 24 October 2019 page 10

Evidence Correction:

On the topic concerning the number of funding agreements since September 2013 in the context of the 2020 extension to the Universal Access National Partnership for Early Childhood Education.

The corrected statement is:

It's an extension of the third funding agreement signed since September 2013.

Witness Name: Ms Kelly Pearce

Hansard Reference: 24 October 2019 page 12

Evidence Correction:

On the topic concerning the Attendance Strategies project and the interim and final reports.

The corrected statement is:

An interim report will be provided to the department in December. The final report is expected in the second half of 2020.

Witness Name: Ms Alex Gordon

Hansard Reference: 24 October 2019 page 23

Evidence Correction:

On the topic concerning the Department of Education recurrent funding compliance and assurance program.

The corrected statement is:

The financial acquittal itself has to be signed off by an independent accountant so that additional assurance is provided to us—it's not just self-reporting; it has to be an audited statement.

Witness Name: Karen Sandercock

Hansard Reference: 24 October 2019 page 43

Evidence Correction: On the topic concerning Monash University's arrangement with the Commercial Aircraft Corporation of China.

The corrected statement is:

Yes. On 18 October 2019, Monash University advised the Department of Education of its intention to announce a deal with the Commercial Aircraft Corporation of China.
