



Australian Government
Department of Defence

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Ms Lyn Beverly
Secretary
Senate Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Ms Beverley,

I wish to correct the evidence that I provided to the Foreign Affairs Defence and Trade Committee's examination of the Department of Defence at the Additional Budget Estimates hearing on Wednesday 24 March 2021.

In relation to questions asked by Senator the Hon Penny Wong regarding security breaches since 2 March 2019 (page 22 of the Hansard) I stated:

"The third question was about the number of breaches in ministerial offices in that calendar year. There was one incident reported in calendar year 2019, and it was this incident."

I wish to correct my evidence in the following manner:

"In calendar year 2019, there were five breaches across all ministerial offices in the Defence portfolio."

Yours sincerely,

Katherine Jones, PSM
Associate Secretary

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