



Australian Government

Austrade

6 July 2018

Senator Linda Reynolds CSC
Chair
Senate Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Senator Reynolds

I am writing to correct evidence I provided to the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee during Austrade's 2018–19 Budget Estimates hearing on 1 June 2018.

During the hearing, in response to questions from Senator Gallacher on the impact of the \$6.6 million reduction in Austrade funding (see Hansard proof, pages 63–64), I indicated there would be no jobs lost in Austrade as a result of this savings measure.

This measure will in fact require a reduction of five staff positions in Austrade. There will be no forced redundancies and Austrade will manage the reduction through natural attrition. There will be no impact on services.

I would be grateful if you could convey this corrected information to members of the Committee.

Yours sincerely

Dr Stephanie Fahey
Chief Executive Officer

201 Kent Street, AON Tower
Sydney NSW 2001

W. www.austrade.gov.au



ABN: 11 764 698 227

If you are not the intended addressee of this letter, please notify the sender immediately and destroy this. Australia's anti-bribery laws operate overseas and Austrade will not provide business related services to any party who breaches the law and will report credible evidence of bribery.