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Senator Jana Stewart Chair Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee Parliament House Canberra ACT 2600

Correction to evidence - Supplementary Budget Estimates - 8 October 2025

Dear Chair,

I appeared before the Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (the Committee) at a hearing on 8 October 2025 in my capacity as First Assistant Secretary, Criminal Justice Division. Upon review of the Hansard record, I have become aware of the need to correct a response I provided to a question from Senator Shoebridge.

The reference for correction is on page 66 of the Hansard in response to this question from Senator Shoebridge about technical capability notices:

Yes, but I think the Minister for Home Affairs and the Attorney-General jointly can issue an order. Is that right?

My response to this question was:

It would now be the Minister for Home Affairs and the communications minister.

I am providing the following correction to my evidence:

The Attorney-General may issue a technical capability notice after receiving approval from the Minister for Communications.

I appreciate the opportunity to provide this factual correction, to ensure correct information is provided to the Committee.

Yours sincerely

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24 November 2025