



**AUSTRALIAN SENATE**

**STANDING COMMITTEES ON RURAL AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS AND TRANSPORT**

**LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

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Dear Mr Kinley

**Status of prosecution brief of evidence in relation to the matter of Mr Damien Mills**

On 25 September 2019, the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee (the committee) held a hearing in Brisbane into the Performance of the Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA).

During his opening statement for the AMSA Board, Mr Stuart Richey noted that AMSA had provided a brief of evidence to the Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions (CDPP).

In relation to the brief of evidence in regards to the death of Mr Damien Mills, could you please inform the committee of the progress on this matter? In addition, the committee requests an estimated timeframe for a decision to be made from when the brief was first handed to the CDPP as well as an update as to when legal matters may proceed.

If you have any questions regarding the nature of this letter, please don't hesitate to contact the secretariat on (02) 6277 3511.

Yours sincerely,

**Senator Susan McDonald**  
**Chair**