

Mr Stephen Palethorpe
Secretary Senate Education and
Employment Legislation Committee
Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

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Dear Mr Palethorpe,

Verbal Question on Notice from Senator Lines: Inquiry into Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment (Ensuring Integrity) Bill 2017

On review of the Committee Hansard provided to AMMA on 28 September 2017 regarding the Senate inquiry into the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment (Ensuring Integrity) Bill 2017, Ms Mansini, on behalf of AMMA, took a question on notice regarding a reference to shipping and how many of those ships are Australian ships and how many are flags of convenience (see page 45).

Ms Mansini's opening statement highlighted a variety of different shipping tasks. In terms of how many ships are registered in Australia, or are registered in another country (or are otherwise described as 'flags of convenience') in relation to these tasks, AMMA does not keep records of this nature and it would not be possible for AMMA to accurately draw a distinction for the purposes of the question asked by Senator Lines. AMMA understands that the Australian Maritime Safety Authority keeps a register of ships that are on the Australian General Register.

Should the Committee require further information in relation to this response, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned on _____ or at _____

Yours sincerely,

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