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Committee Secretary
Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee
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Dear Ms Matulick

I am writing in relation to the Hansard transcript from the public hearing on the Migration Amendment (Family Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2016, held on Wednesday 5 October 2016 by the Senate Legal and Constitutional Committee.

I attended this hearing as a witness for the Department of Immigration and Border Protection. I have identified an error in the evidence I provided yesterday. On page 30 of the Hansard Senator McKim asked whether the Department had done a privacy impact assessment. I have subsequently discovered my response that we had was incorrect. This was due to a mistaken recollection of events.

The Department commenced a privacy impact assessment when the amendment was being drafted early in 2016. Following discussions with the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner around the most appropriate time to complete the assessment, a decision was taken to defer it and provide it with the consequential amendments to the Migration Regulations 1994.

I apologise for this error in my evidence.

Yours sincerely

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