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Dear Mr Brown

HANSARD CORRECTION

I am writing to you to clarify evidence that I gave at the Department of Defence Annual Report 2011-12 hearing held on 15 March 2013.

During the hearing, I referred to findings of an independent review of DMO projects that was conducted by Independent Projects Analysis (IPA). This review, as I mentioned to the committee, returned some very positive results about the DMO's performance in managing projects compared to the private sector.

In answering a question from Dr Jensen (page 18 of the Proof Hansard 15/03/2013), I spoke about the IPA study and said

"We just gave them the data. They compared us to 14,000 projects internationally in a like sort of industry."

I would like to clarify the statement I made about the scope of the comparison that was undertaken. It would be more appropriate to say

"We just gave them the data. They compared us against a sample of 'like' projects from their database of 14,000 projects."

I have spoken about this review during a number of other public presentations and transcripts of these speeches are available online.

Detailed information about the review's findings is also available on the DMO website: <u>http://www.defence.gov.au/dmo/news/dmobulletin/2012_issue6/Page6.cfm</u>

I apologise for any misunderstanding that may have arisen.

Yours sincerely

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