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Ms Lyn Beverley
Secretary
Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
The Senate
Parliament House
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Dear Ms Beverley

Clarification of answer to question regarding telepresence access in committee rooms

On 25 May I provided a response to a question asked by Senator Smith at the estimates hearing held on 22 May about telepresence access in committee rooms.

Since then, the Department of Parliamentary Services has provided additional information to clarify information used in drafting the original response.

DPS advise that the original figure of 31 relates to bookings data and includes tests, videoconferences in the ground floor TV studio facility as well as the videoconferencing bookings made in relation to 1R3 and 2S1.

14 of these bookings involved video conferences by committees: ten videoconferences were held in 1R3 and four were held by Senate committees in room 2S1 between October 2016 and May 2017.

Yours sincerely

(Richard Pye)