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Dear Mr President

Pursuant to section 65 of the *Parliamentary Service Act 1999*, I give you a report, for presentation to the Senate, on the activities of the Department of the Senate for the year ended 30 June 2007.

Yours sincerely

(Harry Evans)

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About this report

This annual report of the Department of the Senate documents the department's performance for the financial year ending 30 June 2007. It is presented in five main parts.

Overviews	Clerk's review: a summary of significant matters affecting the department during the year. Departmental overview: a description of the structure and functions of the department.
Report on performance	An assessment of departmental performance, including the contribution of each output group to the department's planned outcome.
Management and accountability	A report on corporate governance, external scrutiny, human resources management, purchasing and assets.
Financial statements	Audited statements and certificates required by legislation.
Appendices	Information required by legislation, together with details of staffing, publications and public information activities.

A glossary of terms, a compliance index and a general index complete the report.

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