

Letter of transmittal



AUSTRALIAN SENATE

CLERK OF THE SENATE

PARLIAMENT HOUSE
CANBERRA ACT 2600
TEL: (02) 6277 3350
FAX: (02) 6277 3199
E-mail: clerk.sen@aph.gov.au

D16/152964

10 October 2016

Senator the Hon Stephen Parry
President of the Senate
Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600

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 2016.

The report includes the department's audited financial statements, prepared under section 42 of the *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013*, and an annual performance statement as required by section 39 of that Act.

In addition, and as required by the Commonwealth Fraud Control Framework, I certify that I am satisfied that the department has in place appropriate fraud control mechanisms that meet its needs and comply with the guidance applying in 2015-16.

(Rosemary Laing)