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Dear Secretary

I have reviewed the records of Hansard for the Senate Estimates hearing of the Community Affairs Legislation Committee on Monday 29 May 2017 and I wish to correct a statement I made during my appearance.

During the hearing, I was asked by Senator Ludlam to provide an update on National Health and Medical Research Council's (NHMRC) progress on a Targeted Calls for Research (TCR) for Myalgic Encephalomyelitis/Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (ME/CFS) (Hansard, Page 139). During my answer I stated NHMRC had met with Emerge Australia to talk about aspects of this TCR issue.

I wish to correct the record as the organisation NHMRC met with was the ME/CFS Action Group. NHMRC has not met with Emerge Australia to discuss this issue. I would appreciate your consideration of this correction to be reflected in the official Hansard.

Yours sincerely,

Professor Anne Kelso AO Chief Executive Officer

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