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## Mr David Sullivan

Secretary
Senate Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Mr Sullivan,

## SENATE BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS ON 29 AND 30 MAY 2017 - CORRECTIONS TO THE HANSARD FOR 29 MAY 2017

I write to correct evidence that I gave at the Senate Budget Estimates Hearing on 29 May 2017 concerning:

- a. blood testing and health care services available to serving Australian Defence Force (ADF) personnel living or working in the Williamtown and Oakey areas; and
- b. 310 St Kilda Road Melbourne.

On page 14, I advised that four ADF members had received results of blood tests. This was incorrect. As at 17 May 2017, 14 ADF members had proceeded to testing and have had their results recorded on their medical record.

On page 75, Senator Gallacher asked if it was correct that 310 St Kilda Road had been listed for sale on the open market on 13 February [2017]. I incorrectly agreed. I am now able to confirm that 310 St Kilda Road has not been listed with an agent for sale on the open market.

On page 76, Senator Gallacher asked if the Minister for Defence made the decision to dispose of 310 St Kilda Road. I incorrectly advised Senator Gallacher that this decision was made by the Minister. The decision to include 310 St Kilda Road in the Defence property disposal program was made by a Defence senior executive officer on 6 May 2015. This person held the appropriate delegation to make the decision at the time. Since then, Defence has implemented revised processes and this decision would now be referred to the Minister for Defence.

I apologise for any misunderstanding that may have arisen.

Yours sincerely,

## **Steve Grzeskowiak**

Deputy Secretary Estate and Infrastructure

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