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## **CORRECTIONS TO EVIDENCE Budget Estimates 25 to 29 May 2015**

I wish to advise the following corrections to the record in relation to evidence provided at the Budget Estimates hearings on 25 to 29 May 2015 concerning the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet.

## Tuesday 26 May 2015

1. On page 57 of the Proof Hansard, Ms Cross wishes to correct the statement as follows:

**Senator WONG:** What is your budget for it?

**Ms Cross:** We have a broad budget across the department. Normally there are two COAG meetings a year. This will be a third meeting so we will seek additional funding, if we need it, from within the department's budget to cover those costs.

Senator WONG: Do you have an indicative budget?

Ms Cross: I think it is normally in the order of \$30,000 or \$40,000 per COAG meeting. I think it is normally in the order of \$20,000 per COAG meeting.

Senator WONG: But this is a retreat so it is going to be more than that.

Ms Cross: We do not expect it will be significantly more, but it will be a third meeting rather than usual two meetings.

2. On page 104 of the Proof Hansard, Ms Wilkie wishes to correct the statement as follows:

Ms Wilkie: In previous years, in 2013-14, the actual cost of the delegation was \$104,957. In previous years, in 2013-14, the administered cost of the delegation was \$104,957, but this is not comparable to previous years. The comparable figure is \$128,999. In 2012-13, it was \$202,404. In 2011-12, it was \$180,150, and that is, unfortunately, all of the history I have. I would need to take the rest of the five years on notice.

3. On page 108 of the Proof Hansard, Ms Wilkie wishes to correct the statement as follows:

Ms Wilkie: Those are the responsibility of the Department of Finance.

Senator WATERS: So you do not have a role in their formulation or administration—

Ms Wilkie: No. While the OFW does not have a role in its current administration, it did, however, play a role in its initial development.

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4. On page 111 of the Proof Hansard, Ms Bloomfield wishes to correct the statement as follows:

**Senator McKENZIE:** Is that actually to break down gender stereotypes within the sporting codes? You know, hypermasculinity can sometimes exhibit itself in certain codes, particularly of football and similarly in other areas.

**Ms Bloomfield:** Yes. Yes, in the long term. Our Watch will partner with four national sporting organisations to drive innovative work in preventing violence against women.

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