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Ms Lyn Beverley Secretary Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee Parliament House Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Ms Beverley

Senate Supplementary Budget Estimates - Department of Parliamentary Services

I would like to clarify evidence I provided to the committee on 17 October 2016.

During the hearing for DPS, I stated to the Committee that DPS has "recruited an additional 23 security staff, with a further nine due to commence in November."

I would like to advise that, having now completed their pre-employment functional assessment, eight new parliamentary security staff (PSS) officers will commence in November 2016, with the other PSS officer commencing in January 2017.

I would appreciate you bringing this to the attention of the committee.

Yours sincerely

Rob Stefanic Secretary

17 November 2016