

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Senator the Hon Bill Heffernan Chair Senate Standing Committee on Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Senator Heffernan

I am writing to clarify evidence given by officials of the Australian Maritime Safety Authority at the Budget Estimates hearings of the Senate Standing Committee on Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport on 28 May 2015.

In response to a question from Senator Conroy, Mr Prosser indicated that the sort of aircraft to provide dedicated search and rescue services will be Saab Challenger 604. I wish to advise that the aircraft to be provided by Cobham SAR Services Pty Ltd are Bombardier CL-604 Challenger aircrafts.

During questioning on port State control detentions, Mr Prosser indicated to Senator Rice that there were 270 port State control detentions during 2014. I am able to confirm that the actual figure is 269.

I would be pleased if you could note this advice for the information of the Committee.

Yours sincerely

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