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Dr Kathleen Dermody

Secretary

Senate Legislation Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade

Department of the Senate

Parliament House

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Dear Dr Dermody

I write to correct the *Proof Hansard* for the Senate Legislation Committee 2005-06 additional estimates hearing on 15 February 2006.

Page 96 of *Proof Hansard*, 15 February 2006, states that 'At the defence academy, ADFA, we also had very pleasing results. I think we got 106 of 109—98 per cent achievement, as compared to 86 per cent 12 months ago. We overachieved in direct entry Air Force: 108 per cent, versus 91 per cent 12 months ago. The figure for direct entry officers Navy was unfortunately not quite as spectacular but still a significant improvement. We had 78 per cent this year versus 73 per cent 12 months ago.'

This information is incorrect. The actual recruiting results achieved are:

- ADFA result – 306 midshipmen and cadets, as 96% of target.
- HMAS Creswell result – 37 midshipmen, as 67% of target.
- RAAF College result – 16 direct entry officers, as 67% of target. The remainder of the current course is filled with Under Graduate recruits.

I thank you in advance for correcting these figures.

Yours sincerely

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