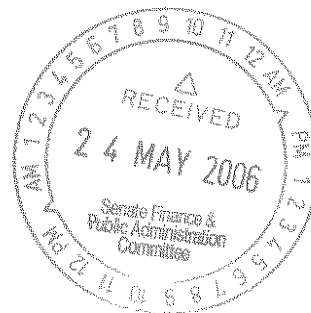




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Senator The Hon John Faulkner  
Senator for New South Wales  
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Dear Senator Faulkner

Attached for your information is a copy of a Protocol between the Australian Electoral Commission and the Department of Finance and Administration which governs their interaction on electoral matters.

Should you have any queries in relation to the protocol please contact Mr Peter Greenwood in my office on (02) 6277 7600.

Yours sincerely



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