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Senator Crossin Chair Senate Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

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## **Clarification: New Building Budget**

I refer to the recent public meeting of the Senate Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs on 18 October 2010 regarding supplementary budget estimates for the Attorney General's portfolio.

On Monday 18 October 2010, during my appearance, I responded to questions from Senator Trood in regard to the budget for the new ASIO building and the bearing of the costs given the departure of the Office of National Assessments (ONA) from the project. In the course of my response I said "the remaining \$62 million related to ASIO and the internal fitting out costs and so on. That will be borne by ASIO".

I should like to clarify that the remaining \$62 million is related to both ASIO and the Department of Finance and Deregulation, for various aspects of fit-out and management of the project.

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