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Dear Senator Sterle

HANSARD CORRECTIONS – MAY 2010 SENATE ESTIMATES

I write regarding statements made at the Budget Estimates Hearing held on Thursday 27 May 2010.

At the time of the hearings, information from various departmental officers was unintentionally given that may be ambiguous. The excerpts appear in the Hansard as follows:

Date: Thursday 27 May 2010, Page 103, Line 41:

In response to a question from Senator Back, it was stated;

“That is correct”.

Please be advised that:

That is not correct. The 2012 trigger would not apply to the Dash 8 300 because it has a maximum take-off weight less than 20,000 kilograms.

Date: Thursday 27 May 2010, Page 104, Lines 21-23:

In response to a question from Senator Back, it was stated;

“There is an operational period that is, from memory, two hours before and half an hour after the scheduled take-off time of a current jet service, where any other service that is on the apron at that time is required to be screened. That is both passenger screening and checked baggage screening”.

OFFICE OF TRANSPORT SECURITY

Please be advised that:

For regional airports, the operational period is 30 minutes before the scheduled departure, and 30 minutes after the actual departure, of a regular public transport or open charter jet service.

Date: Thursday 27 May 2010, Page 114, Line 4:

In response to a question from Senator Macdonald, it was stated;

The Minister announced 137 offences to be added to the MSIC Scheme. Those include offences such as murder, the use of prohibited explosives, making of a bomb hoax, kidnapping, and bribing a government official.

Please be advised that:

The Minister announced 161 offences to be added to the MSIC Scheme. Those include offences such as murder, the use of prohibited explosives, making of a bomb hoax, kidnapping, and bribing a government official.

Date: Thursday 27 May 2010, Page 114, Line 26:

In response to a question from Senator Macdonald, it was stated that;

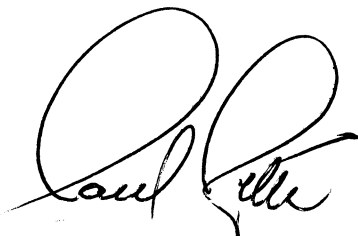
With the current card scheme, the cards last for four years. We are expecting the majority of the cards to be renewed in the next 12 to 18 months.

Please be advised that:

With the current card scheme, the cards last for five years. We are expecting the majority of the cards to be renewed in the next 12 to 18 months.

I apologise for the inaccuracy and trust that this clarifies the situation for you.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul Retter', with a large, stylized initial 'P' and 'R'.

Paul Retter AM
Executive Director

13 July 2010