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Senator James Paterson  
Committee Chair  
Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee  
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Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Senator

I have taken advice on the issue of public interest immunity when responding to questions raised in yesterday's Senate Estimate proceedings.

I have carefully considered that advice.

Public interest immunity will not be sought on the question of whether an inquiry is being conducted.

I confirm that there is no inquiry being conducted to which I am the subject.

I reaffirm my concern to ensure that the scheme of the *Public Service Act 1999* is observed. Specifically, inquiries should be conducted in a manner that ensures the privacy of a complainant and a respondent is respected during the course of an inquiry.

Yours sincerely

~~John Lloyd PSM~~  
~~22 May 2018~~