



**Australian Government**

**Department of the Environment and Energy**

Senator Jonathon Duniam CSC  
Chair  
Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Senator Duniam

On 26 February 2018 I appeared as a witness before the Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee Estimates Hearing.

During the hearing Senator Hinch said in relation to traditional hunting

*"...I've talked to elders up there, especially from coastal tribes, and they have got their own ban on hunting, and yet their argument is that rainforest tribes come down and ignore them, and the slaughter continues"*

In Dr Banks' and my responses we said that we have given inspectors' powers to 16 Indigenous Rangers.

I wish to correct this answer. This number should be 17. The remainder of Dr Banks and my answer to the question, given at the Hearing, is correct.

I apologise for the error in this answer and trust this further information will be of assistance to the Committee.

Yours sincerely

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Chairman  
Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority  
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