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Dear Secretary

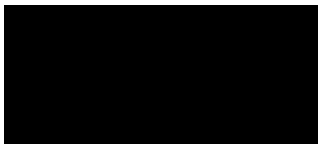
### **Budget Estimates 2020-21 Hearing Appearance**

On 22 October 2020 Australia Post representatives appeared before the Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee in relation to Budget Estimates 2020-21. During that appearance, Australia Post's Group Chief Executive Officer & Managing Director provided answers to questions relating to the purchase of four gifts for four Australia Post employees.

Since the appearance, I have become aware of further details of the purchase and wish, as a matter of urgency, to clarify that the purchase was of four items costing \$7,000, \$4,750, \$4,400 and \$3,800 totalling \$19,950 (including GST), and was made in November 2018.

Australia Post will continue to participate transparently in Budget Estimates 2020-21 processes, including to review the proof *Hansard* transcript of evidence when it is made available and to respond to questions on notice, and will – as reflected in my public statement yesterday – also fully cooperate with the recently announced investigation to be conducted by shareholder departments.

Sincerely



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