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Senator Linda Reynolds CSC Chair Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Senator Reynolds

On 24 May 2017, I appeared as a witness before the Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee Budget Estimates Hearing.

During the hearing Senator O'Neill asked about the Department taking up a lease on new office space.

I responded with information that the new office space will be at the Nishi Building in New Acton and will accommodate all of our current staff that are located in Canberra.

Senator O'Neill asked: How many staff is that?

In response, I said:
At the moment it is about 550 staff.

I wish to correct this answer. After reviewing my response, I realised I stated the total number of Department staff, all of whom are not located in Canberra. The total number of staff, including staff on long term leave, currently located in Canberra is 493.

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

Yours sincerely

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