

Our ref:

14 November 2019

Ms Sophie Dunstone Committee Secretary Senate Standing Committees on Legal and Constitutional Affairs PO Box 6100 Parliament House Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Ms Dunstone

Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearing - 22 October 2019

I acknowledge receipt of the draft Hansard transcript of the Committee hearing held on 22 October 2019. I have reviewed my evidence and seek to clarify the record.

On page 98, following a query from the Chair, I mentioned Manus Island twice in my response. Regrettably this was a misstatement, as the actual location within the context of my response was the Immigration Detention Centre on Nauru (Nauru).

On page 109, Senator McKim and I engaged in a discussion about an inquiry undertaken by Mr Moss into Manus Island. This was also a misstatement. All references I make to Manus Island in this exchange must be clarified, as the actual location to which I was referring was Nauru. Although the inquiry undertaken by Mr Moss was in fact into Nauru, and my references to Manus Island should have been to Nauru, all other comments I make in this exchange are correct. That is, I was satisfied that the information provided by the Moss Inquiry did not raise a corruption issue.

All other references to Manus Island, implied or otherwise during my exchanges with Senator McKim, including on pages 99, 102 and 108, must also be clarified. The actual location to which I was referring to was again Nauru.

I have also enclosed a marked-up copy of the draft Hansard to bring your attention to a number of corrections needing to be made against the video record.

Yours sincerely

Michael Griffin AM Integrity Commissioner