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Senator Sarah Hanson-Young Chair Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications (References)

Via email: ec.sen@aph.gov.au

Dear Senator

I refer to my testimony before the Environment and Communications References Committee's Inquiry into Press Freedom on Monday 31 August 2020. I wish to correct the record in regards to my evidence.

On page 11 of the Hansard, you asked how many journalist information warrants were successful and how many were not authorised. In my evidence, I stated that while all were successful, two were initially denied and required further information to proceed. I have since checked the AFP's records and can confirm, six journalist information warrants required additional information to proceed.

The AFP will provide the questions taken on notice at the hearing to the Committee in due course.

Yours sincerely

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