

## **Australian Government**

## National Indigenous Australians Agency

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Mr Patrick Hodder Committee Secretary Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Mr Hodder

I am writing to provide a clarification to evidence from the National Indigenous Australians Agency's Budget Estimates hearing on 11 November 2022.

In response to Senator Thorpe's question regarding \$152 million of the Indigenous Advancement Strategy funding being allocated to government organisations or government accredited organisations, Mr Vance Khan, Group Manager of the Program Performance and Delivery Group stated that these organisations; Torres Strait Regional Authority, Indigenous Business Australian, the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies and the six land or community councils were indigenous owned and controlled.

Mr Khan would like to clarify that these organisations are corporate Commonwealth entities that are in fact currently governed by boards or councils that have all First Nations members, or a majority of first Nations members.

Yours sincerely

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