R. A. FINLAY

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Ms Lyn Beverly Committee Secretary Senate Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Ms Beverley

Budget Estimates Evidence

My name is Ron Finlay, a Member of the Naval Shipbuilding Advisory Board, and I write to correct evidence that I gave at the hearing for Budget Estimates held on 26 October 2020 as indicated on page 23 of the *Hansard*.

Senator WONG: Did the board express a preferred option?

Mr Finlay: No, we weren't asked to provide advice.

I wish to correct my evidence with the following information:

The Board has provided advice to Government on a preferred option for Full Cycle Docking in written After Action Reports submitted during 2019 and 2020.

I apologise for any misunderstanding that may have arisen.

Yours sincerely

Ron Finlay Member, Naval Shipbuilding Advisory Board