



**Australian Government**  
**Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade**

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Ms Lyn Beverly  
Committee Secretary  
Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee  
Department of the Senate  
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Dear Ms Beverly

I am writing to correct evidence given during the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade Senate Estimates hearing on Thursday 7 April 2022.

I would like to correct my response to Senator Rice's question that relates to whether there are any sectors where the Government is engaging in cooperation with the Myanmar military regime (refer to Hansard page 23).

The Australian Federal Police has maintained limited operational engagement with the Myanmar Police Force since the 1 February 2021 coup focused on efforts against drug trafficking and organised crime. This is in alignment with a set of guiding principles agreed to between DFAT and the AFP.

I would appreciate if this letter could please be drawn to the attention of Senator Rice.

Yours sincerely

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