

## **Principal Registry**

3 April 2018

Mr Timothy Watling
Committee Secretary
Senate Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs
PO Box 6100
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Mr Watling

## Clarifications to Hansard

I write to you concerning evidence provided to the Senate Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs during the Additional Estimates hearing on 27 February 2018.

The Administrative Appeals Tribunal has identified the following clarification.

## Evidence of Ms Sian Leathem, Registrar, Administrative Appeals Tribunal

On page 46 of the transcript, in responding to a question from Senator Hanson about the budget of the Tribunal, the following exchange occurred between Senator Hanson and Ms Leathem:

Senator HANSON: What was the budget for the AAT last year?

Ms Leathem: It was \$155 million.

Senator HANSON: And that's up an extra \$20 million from last year?

**Ms Leathem:** There was, I think, an increase in funding in the appropriation specifically for the IAA, which may be what you're referring to. If you need more detailed information—

Senator HANSON: So it's \$150 million now?

Ms Leathem: It's \$155 million.

Senator HANSON: That's actually an increase on the year before, isn't it? I think it was

around \$124 million or \$125 million. **Ms Leathem:** It was \$146.9 million.

Senator HANSON: That was the year before?

Ms Leathem: Yes.

The Administrative Appeals Tribunal wishes to clarify that:

- the budget for the 2015–16 financial year was \$125.8 million
- the budget for the 2016–17 financial year was \$146.9 million
- the AAT's budget for the 2017–18 financial year is \$154.7 million.

Yours sincerely

Sian Leathem Registrar