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Dear Committee Secretary

## Clarification to Hansard – Additional Estimates 2023-2024 hearing – Tuesday 13 February 2024

I am writing to clarify evidence I provided to the Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee during the Additional Estimates 2023-2024 hearing on 13 February 2024.

On page 53 of the transcript, in response to a question from Senator Thorpe regarding the representation of individuals with lived experience on the assessment panel for the National Justice Reinvestment Program, I said:

**Ms Carolyn**: That's correct. Can I also add that, as part of that first assessment cycle with those nine initiatives that were successful, all of them were Aboriginal organisations.

On 16 February 2024, officers in the Attorney-General's Department and I identified that the information provided was incorrect – I had mistakenly referenced the incorrect number.

I would like to clarify that of the nine initiatives that were successful, eight of them were Aboriginal organisations and one was a non-Indigenous organisation.

Yours sincerely

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