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Senator Sarah Henderson Chair Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee PO Box 6100 Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Chair

The Department of Home Affairs and the Australian Border Force appeared at the Budget Senate Estimates Hearing of the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee on Monday, 4 April 2022.

In my capacity as acting Deputy Commissioner, North, West and Detention, Australian Border Force, I gave evidence to the Committee. I have reviewed the Hansard record and have become aware of the need to correct a response I made to Senator McKim.

The particular reference for correction is on Hansard at page 34, in response to a question from Senator McKim. My response to this question was:

Yes, I can. We've got eight remaining in the MAPOD; seven in the MITA; 11 in the BITA; and fewer than five in each of the Adelaide immigration transit accommodations, Victoria APOD, Perth IDC, Villawood IDC and Yongah Hill IDC. That's 31 in total.

I have since been advised that the response contained a factual inaccuracy in regards to the total amount of people in APOD's and I am providing the following correction of evidence in response to this question:

On the day of the hearing, there were 32 transitory persons held in immigration detention.

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I appreciate the opportunity to provide this clarification, which will ensure that the correct information is provided to the Committee.

Yours sincerely

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