



Director-General of Security

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Senator Nita Green Committee Chair Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Chair,

The Australian Security Intelligence Organisation appeared at the Senate Estimates Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee hearing on 23 May 2023.

In my capacity as Director-General of Security, I gave evidence to the Senate and have reviewed the Hansard record. In relation to my testimony, I have become aware of the need to correct one of my responses.

The particular reference for correction is on page 62 in response to a question from you: "...In the work that you do, are you concerned around the promotion of hate-filled ideology and the upcoming referendum?"

My response to this question included the statement "... At this stage, we are not seeing indications of people planning a terrorist attack as part of that, but that's something that we constantly look at, noting that the terrorist threat level is still probable."

Subsequently I have reviewed the record and noted that my response is inaccurate as I misspoke when referring to the threat level as 'probable'. I wish to clarify that the threat level remains 'possible'.

I appreciate the opportunity to provide this clarification, which will ensure that correct information has been provided to the Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee.

Yours sincerely,

Mike Burgess







