



National Anti-Corruption Commission

CEO

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Senator Nita Green
Chair
Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

By email: legcon.sen@aph.gov.au

Dear Chair,

Clarification to NACC CEO opening statement tabled at Budget Estimates 2023-24 hearing on 31 May 2024

I write in regard to my opening statement tabled at the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee Budget Estimates 2024-25 hearing on Friday 31 May 2024, and subsequently published [online](#).

On recently viewing the statement through the APH website, I noticed an error in the last paragraph on page 1 which currently reads:

The Commission has executed 25 search warrants, made application for 8 telephone intercept warrants, and for 8 surveillance device warrants. We have granted one controlled operation authority. We have issued 9 directions to agency heads to produce documents or information under section 57, and 81 notices to produce under section 58. In addition, we have issued 25 confidentiality notices. We have also undertaken private hearings in 2 investigations involving a total of 12 witnesses. As part of this latter work, we have put in place interim witness welfare services and are currently running a recruitment process for a witness liaison officer and are in the market to procure a service provider to provide witness support services.

The clarification would be to replace the word 'executed' with 'obtained', as reflected below:

The Commission has obtained 25 search warrants, made application for 8 telephone intercept warrants, and for 8 surveillance device warrants. We have granted one controlled operation authority. We have issued 9 directions to agency heads to produce documents or information under section 57, and 81 notices to produce under section 58. In addition, we have issued 25 confidentiality notices. We have also undertaken private hearings in 2 investigations involving a total of 12 witnesses. As part of this latter work, we have put in place interim witness welfare services and are currently running a recruitment process for a witness liaison officer and are in the market to procure a service provider to provide witness support services.

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To assist with consideration of this request, I have attached to this letter a current version of the opening statement including a comment indicating the error, as well as a proposed amended version.

The Commission's point of contact for this matter is Isabel Little, Acting Director of Governance, who can be contacted by phone on _____ or by email at _____

Yours sincerely,

Philip Reed
Chief Executive Officer

Enclosures:

- 1 - Current NACC CEO Opening Statement including comment
- 2 - Proposed NACC CEO Opening Statement