



Australian Government

**Department of Infrastructure, Transport,
Regional Development and Communications**

Senator Susan McDonald
Chair
Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee
Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2602

Dear Senator McDonald

I refer to the appearance of the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications before the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee at the Budget Estimates Hearing on Tuesday, 20 October 2020.

In answering questions on the progress of the Barkly Regional Deal, Mr Chris Faris, Assistant Secretary, COVID Regional Intelligence and Local Government made the following statement:

Mr Faris: That's the partial story. We had \$1 million spent on an airstrip refurbishment at Alpururulam under the Remote Airstrip Upgrade Program.

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I write to make the following correction to the answer. Under Round 6 of the Remote Airstrip Upgrade Program a grant of \$1.375 million was awarded to the Northern Territory Government for upgrades to four aerodromes of which approximately \$500,000 was allocated to the Alpururulam airstrip.

I would appreciate it if you could please note this for the information of the Committee.

Yours sincerely

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