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Ms Lyn Beverley  
Secretary  
Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration  
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Parliament House  
Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Ms Beverley

### **Inquiry into Commonwealth Procurement Procedures**

I refer to your letter of 22 November 2013 requesting information about my Department's procurement procedures with regard to imported goods and services, and provide the following.

In the 12 month period to 28 October 2013 the Department of Veterans' Affairs published 694 contract notices on AusTender. Of these, 17 (2.45%) were sourced from overseas providers –

- 12 (1.73%) for the delivery of services relating to maintenance of memorials and delivery of commemorative activities, and
- 5 (0.72%) for products/services embedded in our ICT software platform.

I trust this information will assist informing the Committee in its inquiry.

Your sincerely

✓ **S.Lewis PSM**  
Secretary

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