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Senator Amanda Stoker
Committee Chair
Senate Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs
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Dear Chair

Request to correct Hansard testimony, Transport Security Amendment (Serious Crime) Bill 2019 hearing – 26 February 2020

On 26 February 2020, I appeared as the representative for the Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission (ACIC) before the Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (the Committee) to give evidence to the Committee's inquiry into the provisions of the Transport Security Amendment (Serious Crime) Bill 2019.

During the course of my appearance, I made the following remarks while being questioned by Senator Sarah Henderson (refer page 24):

"It's very important. You've just touched on the point of intelligence there. The bill currently does not cover intelligence. I suggest that the bill needs to go further to make provision to give effect to the National Ice Taskforce's recommendations and to actually cover criminal intelligence, because for us convictions are not always an indicator of criminality. Also it's a small sample—it's 226 out of a quarter of a million."

I acknowledge that the number I referred to, 226, is incorrect, and would like to make the following correction:

"Also it's a small sample—it's **227** out of a quarter of a million."

Further, I would also like to correct the number I referred to at another point while being questioned by Senator Sarah Henderson (refer page 27):

"But we did check all quarter of a million names against our two lists. Out of all that—out of the quarter of a million—we came up with only 223 names that are on either of those two lists, plus another—"

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I acknowledge that the number I referred to, 223, is incorrect, and would like to make the following correction:

"—we came up with only **227** names that are on either of those two lists, plus another —."

Finally, I would like to correct the record on the following number referenced below when responding to Senator Carr (refer page 18):

"Out of that list, there are potentially 2,800 people that have charges that potentially fall within the legislation on different tiers."

I request the number '2,800' be changed to '2,900' as demonstrated below:

"Out of that list, there are potentially **2,900** people that have charges that potentially fall within the legislation on different tiers."

The content of this letter is unclassified and suitable for public release.

Yours sincerely

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