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The Secretary
Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade
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Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

RE: SUBMISSION BY LIEUTENANT COLONEL MORGAN – DLA PIPER REVIEW AND GOVERNMENT RESPONSE

- 1. Thank you for your letter to the Chief of Army, Lieutenant General David Morrison, dated 7th December 2012, in which you invite him to respond to that aspect of Lieutenant Colonel Paul Morgan's submission to the Committee in which he claims that the Chief of Army made false statements during an interview on the ABC 7:30 Report. I write to respond on behalf of the Chief.
- 2. Shortly after the interview was televised on 1st March 2012, Lieutenant General Morrison recognised his inadvertent use of incorrect terminology regarding certain administrative actions taken by Army against particular serving individuals. Subsequent to the interview, the Department of Defence immediately sought to correct the public record and requested the ABC post a clarification on their website. Published on 9th March 2012, the post can be found at the following URL: http://www.abc.net.au/7.30/contnet/2012/s3443742.htm.
- 3. I am further advised that the gist of this clarification was verbally related to Lieutenant Colonel Morgan by his Army Case Officer, Lieutenant Colonel Margaret Beavan.

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