



Senator Nita Green

Committee Chair
Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
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Dear Chair,

The Home Affairs Portfolio appeared at the Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee hearing on 26 March 2024.

In my capacity as Assistant Commissioner, Immigration Compliance Operations, I gave evidence to the Senate and have reviewed the Hansard record. In relation to my testimony, I have become aware of the need to correct a response I made to a question from Senator Varun Ghosh.

The particular reference for correction is on page 9 in response to the question from Senator Ghosh.

Can I ask how many removals occur each year?

My response to this question was *"In the last financial, it was 2,247."*

Subsequently I have been advised that this response is not an accurate reflection of the matter and I am providing the following correction of evidence in response to this question:

In the last financial year, the Australian Border Force removed 2,274 unlawful non-citizens from Australia.

I appreciate the opportunity to provide this clarification, which will ensure that correct information has been provided to the Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

Yours sincerely

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