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Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts



Senator A McEwan
Chair
Senate Standing Committee Environment, Communications and the Arts
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Senator McEwan

On 23 February 2009 I appeared as a witness before the Senate Standing Committee on Environment, Communications and the Arts for the Additional Estimates Hearing.

During the hearing, Senator Troeth asked a question which appears on ECA 127 of the transcript. In response to the question I indicated that the Australian National Academy of Music (ANAM) does not pay rent to the Port Phillip Council for use of the South Melbourne Town Hall and that lease arrangements are in place for 17 years.

I wish to advise that ANAM does pay rent of \$95,000 per annum to Port Phillip Council and that current lease arrangements are in place until 2017.

Yours sincerely

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