CLARIFICATION OF EVIDENCE GIVEN AT THE 2004-05 ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING: 16 FEBRUARY 2005

SENATOR O'BRIEN - NORTH PACIFIC ROUTE

(Refer Proof Hansard 16/02/05, page E16)

In responding to questions from Senator O'Brien regarding the route between Australia and the United States, Ms Murphy commented that 'The two carriers who service the route are servicing it in a way that meets their commercial interests.'

Clarification:

This statement suggests that there are only two carriers servicing this route. The statement should instead refer to 'the two carriers who *primarily* service the route'.

SENATOR O'BRIEN - ECOTOURISM ACCREDITATION

(Refer Proof Hansard 16/02/05, page E18)

In responding to questions from Senator O'Brien regarding ecotourism accreditation, Ms Murphy commented that 'The assessment is undertaken by industry bodies and also by external auditors.'

Clarification:

The sentence should read 'The assessment is undertaken by the accreditation programs themselves and also by external auditors.'

SENATOR O'BRIEN – WORLD TOURISM ORGANISATION FUNDING

(Refer Proof Hansard 16/02/05, page E20)

In responding to questions from Senator O'Brien regarding funding for the World Tourism Organistion, Ms Murphy indicated that the membership fee of €169,086 equated to around \$A250,000.

Clarification:

The response should have been \$A297,000, rather than \$A250,000.

SENATOR CAMPBELL - CONSULTATION ON POST-2005 TCF PACKAGE

(Refer Proof Hansard 16/02/05, page E33)

In responding to a question from Senator Campbell regarding the process for inviting submissions on the Post-2005 TCF package, Mr McCarthy advised that the invitation was made through the press.

Clarification:

The response should have been as set out in the following paragraph.

The general invitation for submissions was posted on the Department's website on 24 December 2004. This was supplemented by faxed invitations to the relevant industry associations – the Council of Textile and Fashion Industries Australia Limited, the Carpet Institute of Australia Limited, the Footwear Manufacturers' Association of Australia, the Technical Textiles and Nonwovens Association, Association of Australian Leather Industries – as well as the relevant trade union, the Textile, Clothing and Footwear Union of Australia. Direct invitations were also faxed to 630 individual firms consisting of all current and previous TCF Strategic Investment Program registrants over the life of the program. The general invitation to attend consultations in all capital cities except Canberra and Darwin was made through the press, by way of advertisements placed in the *Australian Financial Review* on 28 January 2005 and *The Australian* on 29 January 2005. A general invitation to attend the consultations was also posted on the Department's website on 25 January 2005.

SENATOR CAMPBELL – AUSTRALIA-CHINA FREE TRADE AGREEMENT (Refer Proof Hansard 16/02/05, page E38)

In responding to a question from Senator Campbell regarding case studies in the feasibility study for the Australia-China Free Trade Agreement, Mr Miley referred to the 'textile, clothing and footwear industry'.

Clarification:

The response should not have referred to the footwear industry.

SENATOR O'BRIEN – URANIUM SALES TO CHINA

(Refer Proof Hansard 16/02/05, page E44)

In responding to a question from Senator O'Brien regarding whether Western Mining had approached the Department about uranium sales to China, Mr Hartwell referred to the 'Australian Nuclear Safeguards Office'.

Clarification

The response should have referred to the Australian Safeguards and Non-Proliferation Office.