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Tim

Dear Mr Watling

It has come to my attention that there is a need to correct a response to an Additional Estimates hearing – Question on Notice (EW0786_13) which was provided to the committee on 28 May 2013.

In Question on Notice EW0786_13, relating to Agency Programme Funding, Senator Abetz asked in writing:

“Has the Minister received any correspondence from agency heads or had agency heads express any concerns since 1 January 2012 about their funding envelopes or the inability to maintain current programmes given funding reductions? If so, please provide all instances”.

The response provided was: “No”.

Correction – EW0786_13 be amended to read:

“Ms Bernadette O’Neill, General Manager of the Fair Work Commission (then Fair Work Australia), wrote to Minister Shorten on 7 May 2012 to update the Minister on actions being taken to achieve the savings necessary to operate within its 2012-13 Budget”.

Yours sincerely

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