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Dr Kathleen Dermody  
Secretary  
Senate Standing Committee on  
Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade  
Parliament House  
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Dear Dr Dermody

I write to clarify the following evidence that I gave at the Additional Estimates hearing on 20 February 2008.

In answer to a question from Senator Johnston (page 50 of *Proof Hansard* 20 February 2008), I stated that ***“The termination liability as of about now is expected to be about \$400 million”***.

This evidence needs to be clarified because of confusion between Senator Johnston’s question (which sought an estimate as at 1 May) and my use of the word “now” in the answer (which could be construed as referring to the date of the hearing). The answer recorded in the Hansard should read

***“The termination liability as of 1 May is expected to be about \$400 million”***.

I apologise for any misunderstanding that may have arisen.

Yours sincerely

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