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CORRECTION TO EVIDENCE
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We wish to correct the record in relation to evidence provided at the Additional Estimates hearing on Monday 8 February 2010 concerning the number of officers from PM&C who attended the 2009 United Nations Climate Change Conference in Copenhagen.

On pages 89-90 of the Proof Hansard for Monday 8 February 2010, we are quoted as follows:

Mr Suckling—From PM&C there were two people—me and one other person. Other people went in support of the Prime Minister from the Prime Minister's office but that is not in my area of responsibility.

[...]

Ms Beauchamp—Senator Ronaldson, these questions should be directed to the Department of Climate Change. If I can just confirm we have not received any FOI request about costs. The costs to our department were minimal. As Mr Suckling has said, we had two attendees. The costs related to ministerial travel and accommodation should be directed to the department of finance.

[...]

Senator RONALDSON—Are you going to take on notice the numbers of people from the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and from the Prime Minister's office who attended Copenhagen and the cost of that?

Mr Suckling—I can clarify now that the number from PM&C was two.

There were three PM&C officers, not two as stated.

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