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Dear Ms Morton

ESTIMATES HEARING — FORMER MINISTERS AS WITNESSES

At the estimates hearing yesterday reference was made to the three former ministers who appeared before the Senate Select Committee on Foreign Ownership Decisions in the Print Media in 1994. Senator Ray said he thought that Messrs Hawke and Kerin had been summoned but that Mr Dawkins had not, and I said that all three had been summoned.

Senator Ray is correct: a formal summons was issued only to Messrs Hawke and Kerin, and Mr Dawkins appeared before being summoned, although in his testimony he indicated that he was very hostile to the committee's inquiry.

Yours sincerely

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