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Mr Stephen Palethorpe Committee Secretary Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Mr Palethorpe

I am writing in response to your email of 22 May 2008 requesting further information to Question on Notice PM 57 that was taken by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (PM&C) at the Additional Estimates Committee hearing on 18 February 2008.

A response for tabling is attached.

Yours sincerely

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Question: PM 1

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Topic: Apology letter

Hansard Page: F&PA 124 and 125 (18 February 2008)

Senator Kemp asked: ... We would like to be assured that Mr Harris and his colleague were the only two who were involved in this activity. Madam Chair, could I put that question on notice. I look forward to the response.

Answer: The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet is not able to add to the answer to PM 57 from the February 2008 Additional Estimates Hearing.