



Australian Government
Department of Immigration and Citizenship

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Ms Julie Dennett
Committee Secretary
Senate Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs
PO Box 6100
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Ms Dennett

**Immigration and Citizenship Portfolio Additional Budget Estimates hearing –
09 February 2010: correction**

I am writing on behalf of Ms Alison Larkins, First Assistant Secretary Compliance and Case Resolution Division, to correct evidence given to the Committee during the above hearing in relation to the Department of Immigration and Citizenship (Hansard L&C 116 of Tuesday 9 February 2010 refers).

Hansard reports that Ms Larkins advised the Committee that in 'the six months to December 2009, 11 visas had been cancelled under section 501' of the *Migration Act 1958*. Subsequent record checks have shown that not all visa cancellations under section 501 of the Act were included in that figure.

The correct figure for visa cancellations under section 501 of the Act in the six month period ending on 31 December 2009 is 14. All of those decisions were made by the Department.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Lynne Gillam'.

Lynne Gillam
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