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Mr Phillip Bailey  
Acting Secretary  
Senate Legal and Constitutional  
Legislation Committee  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Mr Bailey

**SENATE ESTIMATE HEARINGS - MAY 2004 - LETTER OF CORRECTION**

During the Senate Estimate Hearing on 24 May 2004 Senator Ludwig asked about the cost of the Migration Litigation Review (the Review) to the Attorney-General's Department.

My response to that question was that the cost of the Review to the Department was approximately \$83,500 over and above some internal costs that were incurred because of the work that was done within the Department (page 80, *Hansard*). By way of clarification, the amount of \$83,500 includes the salary of two departmental officers for a period of two months while they worked on the Review team. It does not include the costs of other work performed by various officers in the Department who were not part of the Review team.

Senator Ludwig also asked about the cost of advice from the Australian Government Solicitor in relation to the Review (page 80, *Hansard*). I can confirm that the cost of AGS services provided to the Review, which included legal advice and the services of the Chief General Counsel, Mr Henry Burmester AO QC, as a member of the Steering Committee, was \$6694.87.

The action officer for this matter is Elizabeth Brayshaw who can be contacted on 6250 5546.

Yours sincerely

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