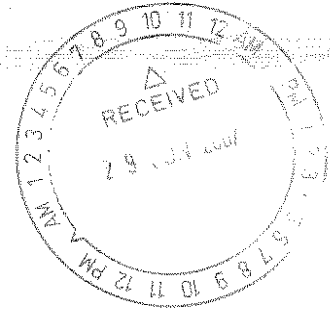




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Dear Ms Morris

Thank you for your letter of 29 May 2007 to the Chief Executive Officer, Mr Michael Carmody, in relation to responses to questions on notice provided by the Australian Customs Service.

I apologise for the error in our response to Question on Notice No.98 from Budget Estimates 2006, where Customs advised that:

“Copies of Customs submissions to the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs inquiry are available on the committee web site.”

The corrected response is:

“Copies of Customs Initial Submission, Supplementary Statement 4.1 and Supplementary Submissions 4.2, 4.3 and 4.5 to the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs inquiry are available on the committee website. Submissions 4.4 and 4.6 are not on the website as the Committee classified them as confidential.”

These two submissions were not provided by Customs on a confidential basis. I note that you have accepted the text of supplementary submission 4.4 as the document was not specifically prepared for the House of Representatives Committee.

Thank you for the return of the cover sheet and supplementary submission 4.6, that relates to Question on Notice No.98. As requested by the Senate Committee, Customs is preparing a summary of the substance of the submission that relates to Question No.98 specifically for this committee.

Yours sincerely

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