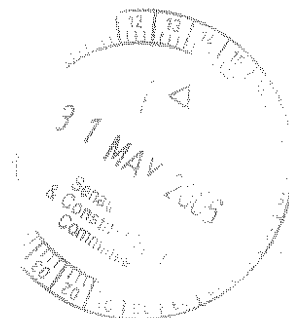




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Mr Jonathan Curtis
Secretary
Senate Legal and Constitutional Legislation Committee
Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600



Dear Mr Curtis

I am writing to correct evidence that was provided to the Senate Supplementary Budget Estimates hearing of the Senate Legal and Constitutional Legislation Committee on 23 May 2006 in relation to Outcome 2 of the Immigration and Multicultural Affairs portfolio.

I refer in particular to evidence provided under Outcome 2.1, in response to a question from Senator Hurley in relation to the provision of child care under the AMEP contracts. I indicated that the contractual requirement is that child care "be available no more than 20 minutes travel from where the English language tuition is provided". The contractual requirement in fact refers to 30 minutes and that number should therefore be corrected to 30 minutes. Please pass to the Committee my apologies for this error.

Yours sincerely

Mary-Anne Ellis
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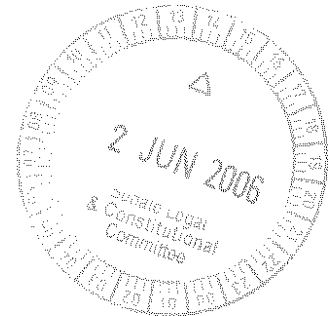
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Dear Mr Curtis

I am writing to clarify a response I gave during the Senate Estimate hearing on 22 May 2006 in response to a question which Senator Kate Lundy asked.

In response to Senator Lundy's question about registered migration agent Gregory Bowler, I indicated that the department had referred the matter to the Migration Agents Registration Authority.

I would like to clarify that discussions had taken place on this matter between our department and the president of the Authority, however a formal written referral had not yet been made.

I can now confirm that yesterday, 30 May 2006, the matter was formally referred to the Authority for investigation.

I apologise for any difficulties that my error may have created for the committee.

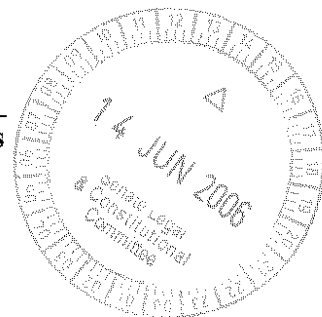
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Dear Mr Curtis

At the estimates hearing of the Senate Legal and Constitutional Legislation Committee held in Canberra on 23 May 2006, I was asked several question by Senator Hurley and I would like to amend answers to the following questions:

- Hansard page no 46, Senator Hurley question "Is the money being split up between those three organisations?"

Amended reply "...two years (instead of three)...\$260,000 (instead of \$420,000)...".

- Hansard page no 49, Senator Hurley question "This is a difficult question to survey, I suppose, but has there been any attempt to survey people's attitudes to cultural diversity and religious diversity in Australia?"

Amended reply "... 2002 (instead of 2001)...".

Yours sincerely

(Dr Thu Nguyen-Hoan PSM)
Assistant Secretary
Multicultural Affairs Branch
13 June 2006