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Senator Trish Crossin
Chair
Senate Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs
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Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Senator

As the Chair of the Senate Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs, I am writing to you to correct an aspect of the evidence provided by the AFP to the Committee yesterday regarding a matter involving Sergeant Brendan Thomson.

During my evidence to the Committee, I stated that an email, naming Sergeant Thomson, had been subsequent to an earlier email regarding professional standards. This was incorrect.

The email was subsequent to a verbal briefing of staff conducted by Professional Standards officers. This verbal briefing was general in nature and did not relate to Sergeant Thomson.

I would like to correct the public record and apologise for this error.

If you have any questions in relation to this matter, please feel free to contact me directly

Yours faithfully

P T Drennan, APM
Deputy Commissioner National Security