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Hon. Senator Trish Crossin
Chair
Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600

**Supplementary Budget Estimates
18 October 2011
Evidence of Chris Craigie SC**

Dear Senator

On 18 October 2011 my Office appeared by the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee in relation to the Supplementary Budget Estimates. I would like to clarify one aspect of my evidence.

In an exchange with Senator Brandis at page 109 of the Hansard, I stated "No" in response to Senator Brandis' question in relation to correspondence with the AEC concerning Mr Thomson. I wish to clarify that the CDPP received correspondence from the AEC concerning the lodgement of returns by the Health Services Union national office in relation to the candidacy of Mr Craig Thomson in the 2007 federal election on 7 May 2010 and provided preliminary advice to the AEC on 1 June 2010.

Yours sincerely

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Director