

Senator Glenn Sterle
Chair Senate Standing Committee on Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport
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Dear Senator Sterle

I write regarding a statement made at the Budget Estimates Hearings held on 26 May 2011.

At the time of the hearings Mr Russell may have answered a question incorrectly. The excerpts appear in the Hansard as follows:

Date: Thursday 26 May 2011, page 59, lines 15-16.

In response to questions from Senator Back about the Aircraft Noise Ombudsman, Mr Russell stated:


Senator Back – His position is full time?
Mr Russell – Yes, it is.

Pleased be advised that:

The Aircraft Noise Ombudsman is employed by the Airservices Australia Board for a minimum of two days per week or as otherwise agreed between the parties or required by the Board.

I trust this clarifies the situation for you.

Yours sincerely



Andrew Clark
A/Chief Executive Officer

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