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## Correction of evidence provided during Estimates Hearing

I seek to correct the record regarding the evidence I provided to the Committee at today's Estimates hearing in response to a question about the processes around publication of Members' biographical details on the Parliamentary website.

During the hearing, I advised that the process involves a draft document being created and supplied to individual members prior to publication on the website (refer page 10 of the proof transcript). It has since been brought to my attention that this advice was incorrect; no draft document or version of the website is provided to members prior to publication.

The process that was followed after the most recent election was as follows:

- 1. The member is provided with a biographical form for completion and return to the Parliamentary Service;
- 2. The member provides the Parliamentary Service with a completed biographical form;
- 3. The biographical information is transferred onto the Parliament's website; and
- 4. A link to the individual Member's page is emailed to the member with a request that any updates, corrections or changes should be provided to the Team Leader, Communications.

Our records show that in 2012, the process also included seeking the relevant Member's written approval/confirmation of the contents of the published website. I have today directed that the additional process in place in 2012 be reinstituted, so that all new and amended Members' biographical information included on the Parliamentary website requires written approval/confirmation from the relevant member.

I emphasise that no recent requests for amendments to biographical information have alleged that an error was made in the translation of the Member's form to the Parliament's website by the Parliamentary Service.

I apologise to the committee for any confusion caused.

Yours sincerely

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