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CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Sir/Madam

**Legislative Instruments Amendment Regulation 2012 (No. 2) [F2012L02376]
Amended Explanatory Statement**

I write in relation to the above named instrument, which amends the Legislative Instruments Regulations 2004 to make technical amendments which relate to July 2011 amendments made to the *Intelligence Services Act 2001*.

On 7 February 2013, the Chair of the Senate Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (the Committee), Senator Mark Furner, wrote to the Attorney-General, the Hon Mark Dreyfus QC MP, requesting the explanatory statement for the instrument be updated to include details of consultation that took place prior to the instrument being made, in accordance with requirements under the *Legislative Instruments Act 2003*.

The amended explanatory statement was approved by the Attorney-General and forwarded to the Committee Chair on 18 March 2013. Two copies of the amended statement are attached to this letter.

I kindly request that you make arrangements to table the amended statement in the Senate. I understand that the statement can be tabled on 14 May 2013.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require further information. A copy of this letter has been forwarded to the House Tabling Office.

Yours sincerely

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