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Dear Chair

I am writing to provide further information to clarify responses on two matters at my department's 2023–24 financial and performance outcomes hearing which was held on Tuesday, 19 November 2024.

At the hearing the Deputy Chair asked a question related to breaches of the Ministerial Code of Conduct. I answered 'no' in that no matters had been referred to the Department of Premier and Cabinet (DPC) for advice or action.

A Statement issued by the Premier on 26 April 2024, regarding the resignation of the Parliamentary Secretary for Education, refers to a breach of the Ministerial Code of Conduct. DPC was not involved in that matter and is not aware of any other breaches. Please find enclosed a copy of the Premier's Statement.

I would also like bring to the Committee's attention two references incorrectly made to information being available in the department's Questionnaire instead of the department's Annual Report additional information (pages 8 and 18 of the hearing transcript). I understand Committee rules mean that these corrections are not able to be made in Hansard.

If you have any further queries on this matter, please contact me on jeremi.moule@dpc.vic.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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Secretary

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