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Dear Ms Main

I write to request an amendment to a response provided to a supplementary question following the 2018 Budget Estimates inquiry on 4 September 2018 for the portfolio of Corrections.

The response to supplementary question 138 is:
Page 26: *"Not all strip searches are required to be recorded."*

This response was provided in error following a number of questions regarding the strip searching of "adult prisoners" and "juvenile prisoners". The correct response is as follows:
"Searches are carried out in accordance with prescribed protocol, which requires one officer to observe the detainee, while that officer is observed by a second officer. The detainee is never fully undressed, and no physical contact is allowed. Partially clothed body searches are not recorded on CCTV. Partially clothed body searches are manually recorded in log books at each centre. A count of the number of searches undertaken in the period would need to be manually undertaken, which is not practicable in the time available."

I would be grateful if the above correction is made.

Yours sincerely

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