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The Chairman  
Legislative Council Select Committee into the  
Finance Broking Industry in Western Australia  
Ground Floor  
1110 Hay Street  
West Perth WA 6005

Dear Sir,

Re: Transcript of Evidence

I return herewith a corrected copy of the transcript of my evidence given to the Select Committee on September 29<sup>th</sup> 2000. I do not require a copy of the corrected transcript.

On page 12 of the transcript I stated that Phil Pental MP telephoned me regarding Blackburn & Dixon Pty Ltd. I now recollect that it was Roger Nicholls MP that telephoned me regarding this matter and not Mr Pental. References to Mr Pental in the transcript should therefore refer to Mr Nicholls. I apologise for my confusion.

I am of the firm opinion that the questions relating to my connection with Philip Lewis were outside the terms of reference of your Committee and therefore unlawful. I thought that such questions were irrelevant to your Committee's purpose at the time the questions were asked. Despite this belief I gave answers to the best of my recollection at that time to satisfy the Committee that none of my business activities were connected with losses in the private mortgage industry, which is the Committee's primary term of reference.

I therefore request that matters discussed about my connections with Mr Lewis not be referred to in the Committee's final report to Parliament. To do so would be unlawful and a breach of my right to privacy.

Yours faithfully,

  
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R J Weir