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Hi Alicia and Rob,

UPDATE to a line in PART III Intro in yellow below and in the Brief. Could one of you please update ENPS?

[PART III INTRO]

A federal government spokesman admits that the meeting between Brittany Higgins and Senator Reynolds should not have taken place in the office where the alleged assault occurred.

But he insists that the then Defence Industry Minister and Fiona Brown encouraged Brittany to speak to the police and guaranteed there would be no impact on her career.

Today the Prime Minister was questioned in parliament about the assault and he endorsed the way the case had been handled by government officers including Fiona Brown.

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“The government has aimed to provide Miss Higgins with her agency, to provide support to make decisions in her interests and to respect her privacy. This offer of support and assistance continues.”

But for Brittany the alleged assault left her feeling she had to choose between her career... and justice

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