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Question No 248

Topic: Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations

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Senator Scullion asked:

How many corporations have been granted extension of time to lodge reports and had failed to report at the expiration of the extension of time?

Answer:

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander corporations registered under the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006* (CATSI Act) were required to lodge reports for the 2009-10 year with the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (Registrar) by 31 December 2010. Reports for each corporation will vary depending on their income and size.

The Registrar may grant corporations an extension of time to lodge a particular report. Corporations are required to apply in writing, outlining the circumstances to support their request.

One hundred and four corporations have been granted extensions of time to lodge one or more reports for the 2009-10 year. Twelve of these corporations have failed to lodge all required reports at the expiration of the extension of time.

The Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations is currently communicating with these corporations as part of its compliance program to ensure the outstanding reports are lodged.