

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES 2009-10**

**Outcome/Agency** International Group - Outcome 3  
**Draft Question No.** D154  
**DEEWR Question No.** EW578\_10

Senator Cash asked in writing.

**Question**

- a) Was the provider Totally Indigo a member of a Tuition Assurance Scheme at the time it ceased operating?
- b) If no, on what grounds was Totally Indigo exempt from being a member of a Tuition Assurance Scheme?
- c) On what date was DEEWR notified that Totally Indigo was not a member of a Tuition Assurance Scheme?
- d) Has Totally Indigo been declared bankrupt?
- e) If yes, how did DEEWR become aware of this? On what date did DEEWR become aware of this?

**Answer**

*Totally Indigo*

- a) No.
- b) Totally Indigo was not exempted from being a member of a Tuition Assurance Scheme but had had its Tuition Assurance Scheme membership cancelled by its Tuition Assurance Scheme operator Australian Council for Private Education and Training. The Victorian Registration and Qualifications Authority (VRQA) requested Totally Indigo to advise by 14 August 2009 of its alternative tuition assurance arrangements after losing ACPET membership and this was not responded to.
- c) 24 July 2009.
- d) Yes.
- e) DEEWR was notified by Totally Indigo's lawyers on 19 August 2009 that it had filed for bankruptcy.