

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

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

**Outcome** 4

**DEEWR Question No.** EW668\_10

Senator Cash asked on 21 October 2009, EEWR page 115.

**Question**

*Priority Employment Areas*

Are you aware – and this is for the Department and for you, Minister – of any involvement by the Prime Minister, his office or the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet in the selection of the priority areas – the priority employment area process?

**Answer**

The department is unaware of any involvement by the Prime Minister or his office in the selection of the priority employment areas. The department did consult with the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet on the selection of the priority employment areas.