Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND

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Senator Scullion asked:

Can you also confirm that since Ms Casey has been chair of the ILC that Mrs Evonne Goolagong - Cawley, Mr Richard Longes and Professor Peter Shergold have left the NCIE Board, together with Doctor Ron Penny and Mr Ian Ferrier being sacked? Is it correct that Mr Longes had put in writing his concerns regarding the NCIE accounts and his inability to meet with Mr Glanville on the issue?

Answer:

Ms Evonne Goolagong–Cawley resigned from the National Centre of Indigenous Excellence Ltd (NCIE Ltd) Board on 25 June 2012 citing competing commitments.

Dr Penny and Mr Ferrier's terms as NCIE Ltd directors expired in October 2012. Dr Penny and Mr Ferrier were not reappointed for a further term.

Professor Shergold and Mr Longes' terms as NCIE Ltd directors expired in October 2012. Professor Shergold and Mr Longes were reappointed for a further term.

Professor Shergold resigned from the NCIE Ltd Board in February 2013 and Mr Longes resigned in March 2013.

Communications within NCIE Ltd from NCIE Ltd Board members are confidential to that organisation.