

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

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES 2008-09**

**Outcome/Agency**                    **8**

**DEEWR Question No.**            **EW1068\_09**

Senator **Cash** provided in writing.

*Refers to previous DEEWR Question No EW1067\_09*

**Question**

*Australian Employment Covenant*

I understand that an agreement has since been reached surrounding the provision of training. Why was it necessary for this issue to be raised in the media before DEEWR acted?

**Answer**

Arrangements concerning implementation of the Australian Employment Covenant (AEC) initiative, including training, have been developed progressively since the initiative was announced on 3 August 2008.