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Thank you for taking the time to write to me regarding representation made to the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC).

The Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC) takes all concerns seriously and where there is evidence of misconduct, it will investigate. Where the ACNC finds serious breaches of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* (ACNC Act) and governance standards, it will take firm action.

Due to the secrecy provisions in the ACNC Act, the ACNC is prevented from providing the public with further information or updates about how a concern is being progressed. The ACNC cannot disclose details or publish information on the public record about action taken as a result of a complaint that has been raised, including if the ACNC has issued a charity with regulatory advice or if no action has been taken.

However, where the ACNC investigates a charity and finds non-compliance has occurred, the ACNC is able to put some outcomes on the public record. Such action includes issuing warnings and directions, suspending or removing board members, and ultimately, revoking charity status. These matters are published on the ACNC Charity Register at [www.acnc.gov.au/charityregister](http://www.acnc.gov.au/charityregister) and on the ACNC website at [www.acnc.gov.au/compliancedecisions](http://www.acnc.gov.au/compliancedecisions).

If the constituent is unsure whether the ACNC has regulatory power to look into the concern raised, the ACNC may be contacted directly on 13 22 62, or by visiting [www.acnc.gov.au/contactus](http://www.acnc.gov.au/contactus). If the ACNC is unable to assist, it may be able to refer the constituent to another agency that has responsibility for handling the issue.

Thank you again for your correspondence. It is important that I receive feedback from my constituents to ensure that I represent your concerns in the Federal Government.

Yours sincerely,

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