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RE: CLAIMS OF DISCRIMINATION IN ASSESSMENTS

Dear Trainees and Fellows,

By now, you may be aware of recent media coverage in Australia about a complaint that has been made against ACEM, alleging racial discrimination in the conduct of the College's assessments.

It is the understanding of the College that we were made aware of the complaint at the same time as the media was notified.

The College is taking the confidentiality of this sensitive matter very seriously. We will investigate the claims thoroughly through a fair and robust process, respectful of all parties. However, for obvious reasons of confidentiality, we are unable to speak about individual cases.

We are establishing an Expert Advisory Group to determine the clear facts in this matter and any appropriate responses. I will communicate more about the Advisory Group's Terms of Reference to all trainees and Fellows shortly.

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