



Inquiry into annual and financial reports 2024–2025

Answer to question taken on notice

Asked by: Mr Thomas Emerson MLA

Addressed to: Minister for Corrections

In relation to: Corrections and Birthday cards available for purchase at AMC

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MR EMERSON: Thanks chair. So it has been put to me that the only male birthday card made available for purchase at the AMC is a Donald Trump, "make birthdays great again" card. By the looks on faces, I do not think that has been brought to your attention. If that is the case, do you think that is appropriate?

Dr Paterson: No. Well, I do not know what the birthday card is, and I do not think any of us have seen us, so we are not sure what you are talking about, so we will take it on notice and go and have a look at what the birthday cards are.

DR MARISA PATERSON MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

Detainees have the option to purchase birthday cards through the detainee buy-ups process, supplied and administered by Corrective Services NSW. There are a range of cards available for purchase through this process.

ACT Corrections has confirmed that there was a birthday card available depicting Donald Trump saying "make birthdays great again"; however, this card has now been removed from the options available.

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By the Minister for Corrections, Dr Marisa Paterson MLA

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