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Dear Ms Gabriels

## COR 2023 007204 - INVESTIGATION INTO THE DEATH OF SHUYANG WANG

Thank you for your correspondence of 31 October 2025 relating to the Investigation into the death of an international student.

Firstly, I would like to convey my sincere condolences to the family of Shuyang Wang. The safety of all international students in Victoria is of the upmost importance to the Victorian Government.

I would like to provide a response to **Recommendation 4** of Coroner Jamieson's report:

"With the aim of preventing like deaths and promoting public health and safety, I recommend that the Department of Jobs, Skills, Industry and Regions works together with Life Saving Victoria and other relevant agencies to include safety warnings and messages in its promotion of aquatic locations."

I can confirm that the Coroner's recommendation was initially implemented in 2018, prior to the Coroner's findings, and will continue to be implemented as a priority activity of the Department of Jobs, Skills, Industry and Regions, through Study Melbourne. Study Melbourne is an initiative of the Victorian Government which provides support and information to international students in Victoria.

The attached document provides details of the actions implemented to date which can be summarised as follows:

- Provision of grant funding of over \$140,000 from the <u>Study Melbourne Inclusion</u> <u>Program</u> between 2018 and 2025 to Life Saving Victoria, education providers and community organisations to deliver water safety initiatives for international students.
- 2. Creation and dissemination of targeted assets and information relating to water safety to international students and stakeholders through Study Melbourne information channels and via education providers' and related organisations' information channels.



- 3. Presentations from Life Saving Victoria at orientations and targeted events for international students at the Study Melbourne Hub, the Couch (a facility delivered by the City of Melbourne) and education providers.
- 4. Connection of Life Saving Victoria to education providers and community organisations through Study Melbourne's Student Experience Network.

If you require further information, please contact Caroline Hartnett, Director, International Education and Study Melbourne at the Department of Jobs, Skills, Industry and Regions at caroline.hartnett@global.vic.gov.au or on 1800 056 449.

Yours sincerely

Matt Carrick Secretary

Date: 08/12/2025