

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO
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Question No: SQ17-000046

Topic: Multiculturalism - Multicultural Policy Statement

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Senator Richard Di Natale asked:

1. What progress has been made on a Multicultural Policy Statement?
2. Is the policy that's on the DSS website the current government's policy?
3. What is the status / progress of the Government's new multicultural policy (if any)?
4. Is there a consultation draft of the policy?
5. Can you outline how the new policy might differ or improve on the one that's currently on the DSS website?

Answer:

1. On 20 March 2017 the Australian Government released the multicultural statement *Multicultural Australia: United, Strong, Successful*.
2. Yes.
3. On 20 March 2017 the Australian Government released the statement *Multicultural Australia: United, Strong, Successful*. This is the Australian Government's current multicultural policy.
4. The multicultural statement is available on the DSS website (www.dss.gov.au)
5. The Statement on the DSS website is the government's current policy as referred to in Question 1.