

QUESTION ON NOTICE / Written

QoN 033 – Public Hearing 2 February 2022

Topic: LEE Program Update

Question from Committee

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10. Please provide an update on the DFAT LEE program since DFAT last appeared before the committee. In particular, since DFAT last provided information to the committee:

- a. How many individuals have applied for LEE certification?
- b. How many LEE certification applications have been decided by the Foreign Minister?
- c. How many certified LEE have applied for Australian visas, and how many of these have been granted?
- d. How many of these individuals have arrived in Australia?

Answer

10a. As at 28 February 2022, since the hearing on 15 November, DFAT has received around 70 new DFAT LEE applications. All applications are in the process of being reviewed and finalised.

10b. As at 28 February 2022, since the hearing on 15 November 187 DFAT LEE applications have been considered by the Foreign Minister.

10c. Transferred to the Department of Home Affairs.

10d. Transferred to the Department of Home Affairs.