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Joint Standing Committee on Migration

Inquiry into the regulation of Australian migration agents

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Public hearing for migration agent inquiry

Representatives of the Department of Home Affairs will discuss the regulation and registration of migration agents when the [Joint Standing Committee on Migration](#) holds a public hearing as part of its inquiry into the efficacy of current regulation of Australian migration agents.

Committee Chair Jason Wood MP said, "It is important to ensure that Australian migration agents are acting professionally and are properly certified. This public hearing provides the Committee a valuable opportunity to review the current mechanisms and powers of the Department of Home Affairs to respond to unregistered or unlawful migration agents."

The Committee will also consider:

- the registration and regulation of migration agents;
- deficiencies and barriers to relevant authorities' investigation of fraudulent behaviour;
- evidence of the volumes and patterns of unregistered migration agents and education agents providing unlawful immigration services; and
- reviewing the appropriateness of migration agents providing other services to clients.

The full terms of reference are available on the Committee's website.

Public hearing details: 10:10am to 10:45am, Wednesday 27 June 2018, Committee Room 1R4, Parliament House, Canberra.

The hearing will be broadcast live at aph.gov.au/live

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