



JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON MIGRATION

REVIEW OF SKILLED MIGRATION

MEDIA ALERT

Public Hearing – Monday 11 November 2002 - Canberra

Review of Skilled Migration

Federal Parliament's Joint Standing Committee on Migration is reviewing Australia's migration and temporary entry program for skilled labour.

The demands for skilled labour worldwide and the mobility of some sectors of the workforce mean that Australia has to compete internationally for some of the scarce skills.

The Committee is exploring the outcomes of Australia's current arrangements, and whether there are lessons to be learnt by Australia from the entry and program management policies of competing nations, including Canada, New Zealand, USA, Ireland, UK, Germany and Japan.

It will also consider the role of State and local authorities in determining where skilled migrants settle.

The Committee will conduct its first public hearing on Monday 11 November 2002, with the Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs. The hearing will be held in Parliament House Committee Room 2R2, from 9.00am - 12.30pm.

What: Public Hearing, Migration Committee's review of skilled migration

Witness: Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs

Where: Committee Room 2R2, Parliament House, Canberra

When: Monday, 11 November, 9.00 am – 12.30 am

For the full terms of reference and for more information, including copies of submissions, visit the inquiry website at www.aph.gov.au/house/committee/mig/reports.htm or phone the Migration Committee secretariat on (02) 6277 4560

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