

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
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Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ17-000557

Senator Carr, Kim provided asked on 31 May 2017, Proof Hansard page 5.

ARC: Definition of research misconduct

Question

Senator KIM CARR: In China do they have a definition that is used widely in China?

Ms Emery: I am not sure.

Senator KIM CARR: Perhaps you should have a look at that. Would you take it on notice for me.

Ms Emery: I will take that on notice.

Senator KIM CARR: What about Japan? Do they have a definition?

Ms Emery: I am not sure.

Senator KIM CARR: Perhaps you could have a look at that for me, as well.

Answer

The Australian Research Council (ARC) has provided the following response.

1. In early 2007, the Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST) China implemented measures for the treatment of misconduct in the implementation of the National Science and Technology Program. The measures include a definition of 'scientific research misconduct'.

The publication is available in Chinese on the MOST website

http://www.most.gov.cn/fggw/bmgz/200611/t20061110_53413.htm

2. In August 2014, the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) Japan adopted guidelines to respond to misconduct in research. The guidelines include a definition of 'misconduct in research'.

The publication is available on the MEXT website

http://www.mext.go.jp/a_menu/jinzai/fusei/_icsFiles/afieldfile/2015/07/13/1359618_01.pdf