## **QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 22 May 2017** 

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(BE17/263) - 457 changes - Reviews - Programme 2.3: Visas

Senator Carr, Kim (L&CA) written:

Has the Department made any announcement about possible changes at review? What were these changes?

Has the Department represented that new or previously excluded categories may be added? Has the Department indicated what kind of evidence would be required to make additions of new categories of occupation?

## Answer:

- No. The Department of Employment (DoE) will lead a six monthly review of the Short-term Skilled Occupation List (STSOL) and the Department of Education and Training (DET) leads the annual review of the Medium and Long-term Strategic Skills List (MLTSSL).
- 2. No.
- 3. The Department conducted a series of roundtables and provided an opportunity for stakeholders to submit a business case concerning their skill needs to be considered in the context of a review.