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SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2003-2004 ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING

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Senator Carr provided in writing.

Question:

There was an international student from Sydney who was found dead in a rubbish bin outside a brothel. Have you had any discussions with the provider about that matter? When did they cease being an international student?

Answer:

Death of a former international student

The student, Mr Mike LIE, enrolled in a Bachelor of Tourism course at Central Queensland University (CQU) commencing 14 March 2002 to 21 December 2004.

On 10 April 2003, CQU notified the Department and the Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs (DIMIA) via the Department's Provider Registration and International Students Management System (PRISMS) that the student had failed to re-enrol in 2003 and had ceased studies at the University. The Department has not held any discussions with CQU about the matter.

The Department has asked DIMIA for advice on Mr LIE's visa status at the time of his death but as at 22 March 2004, this information has not been provided.