EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2005-2006 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: 3

Output Group: 3.3 – Support for the Australian education and training export industry and

international relationships.

DEST Question No. E269 06

Senator Carr asked on 2 June 2005, EWRE Hansard page 94.

Question:

The point I am raising is whether DIMIA informed you of the number of students that had been apprehended working illegally earlier this year – the report I have got is the third of this year.

Answer:

DEST and DIMIA

DEST and DIMIA regularly exchange information relevant to international students' compliance with both the ESOS Act and the Immigration Act. This occurs during regular meetings and on an *ad hoc* basis when significant issues arise.

Figures on the number of students who have been apprehended while working illegally would not normally be provided by DIMIA to DEST unless they had particular reference to the compliance of a CRICOS registered provider with the ESOS Act.