QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING: 13 FEBRUARY 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(AE12/0194) Program 1.1: Visa and Migration

Senator Cash asked:

Knight Review: With reference to Recommendation 27 - What proactive measures have been or will be put in place by DIAC to detect the sorts of breaches that are not reported in PRISMS?

Answer.

Historically, student integrity network resources have been largely devoted to the consideration and resolution of matters relating to the automatic and mandatory cancellation provisions. The Knight Review recommendations to abolish the automatic cancellation regime (recommendation 24) and remove the mandatory cancellation provisions (recommendation 25), once implemented, provide an opportunity for DIAC to greatly improve the targeting of student integrity activity and resources into areas of highest risk (recommendation 26).

In order to detect the sorts of breaches that are not in PRISMS, DIAC will proactively identify risks and manage them through a range of treatment options that will include the development of an outreach and audit plan, joint audit activity with education regulators, nationally consistent procedures surrounding the identification and targeting of integrity risks and an increased focus on dob-in reporting of allegations.