

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING: 13 FEBRUARY 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(AE12/0225) Program 1.1: Visa and Migration

Senator Cash asked:

Provide a list of all regional business groups consulted in each state/territory with respect to Regional Migration Agreements (RMAs)?

Answer:

The following national business groups were consulted with:

- Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry
- Australian Industry Group
- The Minerals Council of Australia
- The Australian Minerals and Metals Association
- The National Farmers Federation
- The Business Council of Australia

The following regional business groups were consulted with:

Queensland:

- Canegrowers Association
- Queensland Alumina
- Growcom
- Gladstone Area Promotion and Development
- Bettafield Piggery
- Domain Aucland Place
- Gladstone Area Group Apprentices
- Australia Pacific LNG

In addition, the following community groups were consulted:

- Relationships Australia
- Access Community Services
- Welcoming Intercultural Neighbours Gladstone
- Ethnic Communities of Queensland

Western Australia:

- Esperance Chamber of Commerce and Industry
- South Eastern Premium Wheat Growers Association
- Broome Chamber of Commerce and Industry
- Western Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry

- Cable Beach Resort and Spa
- First Quantum Minerals (Ravensthorpe Nickel Mine)
- Esperance Ports Sea and Land
- Survey North
- Woodside (Broome division)
- Willey Creek pearls
- Leading Edge Computers
- Kimberley Accommodation Group
- Kleenheat Gashouse
- PRD Real Estate
- Colin Wilkinson Developments
- McKeno Blocks and Pavers
- Ertech Construction

Northern Territory:

Consultation in the Northern Territory has been undertaken by the Northern Territory Government and will be detailed to the department in the Northern Territory Regional Migration Agreement submission.