## **QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 28 MAY 2008** 

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(20) Output 1.1: Migration and Temporary Entry

Senator Ellison (L&CA 48) asked:

- (1) How is the determination done of whether a university is regional or not?
- (2) Has there been any consideration of the status of the Monash campus?

## Answer.

- (1) For the purposes of regional study points Regional Australia is defined as areas with low population or low population growth. Low population is defined as those Statistical Divisions identified by the Australian Bureau of Statistics as having a population of less than 200,000. A low population growth metropolitan area is defined as one that has experienced population growth of less than 50 per cent of the national average between the census of 1996 and the census of 2001.
- (2) No.