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Ms Stephanie Foster
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via email

Dear Secretary

Public hearing: *Education Services for Overseas Students Amendment (Quality and Integrity) Bill 2024*

I refer to the Department of Home Affairs' appearance before the Education and Employment Legislation Committee (committee) scheduled for 4.15pm today.

While I would expect officials would appear before the committee with all relevant current data in relation to international students, can you please ensure officials are prepared to answer questions concerning:

- the number of international students over the past five years in Australia including a breakdown for each provider;
- the number of total enrolments at each provider over the past 5 years used by your department to model the proposed 40 per cent cap as reported in the *Australian Financial Review* today (proposed cap);
- the number of student visa approvals over the past five years by month, including for each individual university for onshore and offshore visas;
- the number of student visas granted where the holder is still outside the country; and
- the current rate of net overseas migration and the forecast net overseas migration for the next calendar year; and
- the forecast net overseas migration for the next two calendar years if the proposed cap was introduced from 1 January 2025.

Thank you in advance for your department's attendance at today's hearing.

Yours sincerely

Sarah Henderson

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