

Joint Standing Committee on Treaties
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QUESTION ON NOTICE / Written

QoN – Public Hearing

Topic: Joint Initiative on Services Domestic Regulation

The Hon Josh Wilson MP

Question

And when we're told that thirteen of our top twenty service export destinations are participants in the DR JSI, could you provide us on notice that list of the thirteen that are participants and the seven that are not?

Answer

Of Australia's twenty largest services export markets¹, thirteen are participants in the WTO Joint Initiative on Service Domestic Regulation (DR JSI). These are: China, the United States, the European Union, the United Kingdom, New Zealand, Singapore, Hong Kong, Japan, the Republic of Korea, Switzerland, Columbia, Philippines and Brazil.

Seven of Australia's twenty largest services export markets² have not committed to participating in the DR JSI. These are: India, Nepal, Malaysia, Vietnam, Indonesia, Pakistan and Sri Lanka.

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¹As of June 2022, according to Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, *Direction of goods and services trade*, last updated August 2022 using ABS catalogue 5368.0 (June 2022 data) and 5368.0.55.004.

²Ibid.