

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Social Services Portfolio
2014-15 Budget Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 2

Question No: 915

Topic: Multiculturalism

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Senator Brown asked:

1. Between 7 September 2013 to the present date, were any complaints received regarding the Building Multicultural Communities Program?
2. If yes: Can the Department please provide a list of all complaints received?
3. Were these complaints responded to?
 - a. If yes: Can the Department please provide documentation of responses to complaints?
 - b. If no: Why were the complaints not responded to? Will they ever be responded to?

Answer:

1. The Department has provided clarification to organisations relating to their particular circumstances in response to their correspondence. Details in relation to the following specific organisations has already been provided in response to Questions on Notice (QoN) from the 2013-14 Additional Estimates Hearings: Activate Community Services (also known as the Welcome Centre) (QoN 589, 590 and 592), Gungahlin Jets Football Club (QoN 593), Newcastle and Hunter Ethnic Communities Council (QoN 595), South Australian German Association (QoN 596) and Filipino Australian Society of the Hunter Valley (QoN 600). Providing a similar level of detail relating to all relevant organisations would be too resource intensive.
2. Refer to Answer 1.
3. Refer to Answer 1.