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Question No: 46

Program 2.1

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Topic: Lease Arrangements List

Senator Bilyk, Catryna asked:

Senator BILYK: What are you going to do with the ones where there are changes?

Mr Grybowski: The ones that we terminated were other arrangements—

Senator BILYK: They were leased, were they?

Mr Grybowski: Lease arrangements, exactly. We are going through the process of changing that.

Senator BILYK: On notice, can you give me a list of those, where they—

Mr Grybowski: The residencies? Sure.

Answer:

International Residency Program Overview

Residency	Continuing	Lease/other arrangement
ACME, London, UK (Visual Arts)	Yes	No lease Service agreement in place
The Banff Centre, Banff, Canada (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Arts/Multi art form)	Yes	No lease MOU/Service agreement in place
BR Whiting Library, Rome, Italy (Literature)	Yes	Owned*
Keesing Studio, Cité International des Arts, Paris, France (Literature)	Yes	Owned* (Long lease)
Second studio within the Cité International des Arts, Paris, France (Multi art form)	Yes	Owned* (Long lease)
Helsinki International Artist Programme, Helsinki, Finland (Multi art form)	Yes	No lease Service agreement in place
Kluge-Ruhe Aboriginal Art Collection, Virginia, USA (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Arts/Visual Arts)	Yes	No lease Service agreement in place
Kunstlerhaus Bethanien, Berlin, Germany (Visual Arts)	Yes	No lease Service agreement in place
Nashville Songwriters', Nashville, USA (Music)	Yes	No lease Service agreement in place
Peggy Glanville-Hicks House, Sydney, Australia (Music)	Yes	No lease Service agreement in place
Barcelona Studio, Barcelona, Spain (Visual Arts)	No	Lease
British School of Rome, Rome, Italy (Visual Arts)	No	No lease Service agreement in place

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Tokyo Studio, Tokyo, Japan (Visual Arts)	No	Lease
Greene Street Studio, New York, USA (Visual Arts)	No**	Lease
International Studio and Curatorial Program, New York, USA (Visual Arts)	No**	Lease

Existing arrangements for the residencies being discontinued will be delivered until their conclusion in 2016. The Australia Council does not own any of the properties involved in the international residencies which are being discontinued.

For residencies where the Australia Council does not own the property, delivery is through partnerships with international residency providers who manage their own properties, or the Australia Council engages in a lease for the property, which is run by a studio manager.

The International Residencies Program is distinct from the Artists in Residence program. Please refer to response to QoN 45 for more information.

*These three residencies are referred to as “owned” because they are identified on the Australia Council’s balance sheet as an asset. This includes the BR Whiting Library in Rome which is owned by the Council, and the two studios at the Cité International des Arts in Paris which are on a long lease hold until 2060. Please refer to response to QoN 58 for more information.

**New York remains a priority market and the Council will be replacing the two New York residencies.