

## **Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment**

### **QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Supplementary Budget Estimates 2015 - 2016**

**Agency - Fair Work Commission**

**Department of Employment Question No. EMSQ15-000336**

**Senator McKenzie asked on 22 October 2015 on proof Hansard page 73**

#### **Question**

##### **FWC - Entry permit referrals**

Mr Enright: I assess each of the applications for entry permits that are made with the Fair Work Commission. I assess each of them on their merit and, if I determine that the application is not a routine application, then I refer the application to the panel head for registered organisations.

CHAIR: How do you determine whether it is routine or not? What criteria do you use to assess that?

Mr Enright: I take into account all of the matters that are required to be disclosed in section 513. That is the primary reference for me in determining whether the application is routine or non-routine. If, based on that criteria, it is routine, I will deal with it. If it is non-routine, I will refer it to Vice President Watson, who is the panel head for registered organisations.

CHAIR: How many referrals have you made since we have last had this conversation?

Mr Enright: I would have to take that on notice.

CHAIR: Could you take it on notice please.

#### **Answer**

The number of referrals to the Panel Head of non-routine applications for right of entry permits between 22 October 2014 and 22 October 2015 was 50.