

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES – 26 – 27 MAY 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(BE14/097) PROGRAMME – 1.3: Migration, Border Management and Citizenship

Senator Carr (L&CA 77) asked:

Mr Fleming: We would have looked at all of the providers of higher education qualifications, remembering that, at that stage, we were only looking, effectively, at bachelor degrees and higher. So we would have looked at all of those, and we also had a threshold that they had to have 100 foreign students to be able to give us the statistical certainty.

Senator KIM CARR: How many was that?

Mr Fleming: I will have to check on that how many could potentially have been eligible.

Senator KIM CARR: What was the total number that you surveyed? Does anyone have that information here?

Dr Southern: Not here. We will take that on notice.

Answer:

At the time of determining eligibility to participate in the extended streamlined visa processing arrangements, a total of 97 non-university providers were registered in Commonwealth Register of Institutions and Courses for Overseas Students to deliver bachelor, masters or doctoral degree courses to international students.