

**SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION
LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**2006-2007 ADDITIONAL SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
15 FEBRUARY 2007
EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO**

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 3: Increased workforce participation

Output Group 3.2: Labour market strategies:

Output 3.2.1: Industry and labour supply strategies

Question Number: W1384-07

Question:

Senator Wong asked in writing:

Subclass 457 Visas

- (i) Did the Labour Agreement regarding an Amex Japanese call centre in NSW provide salaries that were nearly \$6 000 below the minimum gazetted salaries?
- (ii) If so, how can it be claimed that these visas are not undercutting wages.

Answer:

- (i) No.
- (ii) Not applicable.

Estimated cost: Using the FOI calculator, to prepare this answer it has taken approximately 1.75 hours at an estimated cost of \$22.25.