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Question

Regional definitions of schools

Ms Paul: That is awesome, isn't it? You did ask a minute ago about the basis for the regional definitions. Senator NASH: Oh, yes. Ms Paul: It is a definition that is on the website. It is not ARIA, it is a definition accepted by all ministers of education. Senator NASH: Lovely, thank you. Ms Paul: It is on the ministerial council website. Senator NASH: Is it easy to find? Do I need a little extra direction, or do I have to trawl through 100 pages? Ms Paul: Do you want us to send it to you on notice? Senator NASH: Sure; that would be great if you could do that. Thanks.

Answer

It is anticipated that the definition of a regional school will be constructed using the *Geographical Location Classification* prepared for the Ministerial Council on Education, Employment, Training and Youth Affairs (now the Standing Council on School Education and Early Childhood). Further information can be found at:

www.mceecdya.edu.au/verve/_resources/geolocation_questions_coding_file.pdf