QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 22 May 2006

IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

(129) Output 1.1: Non-Humanitarian Entry and Stay

Senator Ludwig asked:

How many employers have had an application rejected for an apprentice under the Trade Skills Training visa?

a. Of those rejections, how many were due to a lack of sufficient advertising of the position?"

Answer:

The sponsorship (employer) applications is the first stage of the Trade Skills Training Visa processing. As at 5 July 2006, six sponsorship applications had been refused. Three visa applications have been rejected as at that date.

(a) None.