

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 OCTOBER 2010

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(109) Program 5.1: AMEP / Settlement Services for Migrants and Refugees

Senator Cash (L&CA 112) asked:

Provide a list of all the languages translators and interpreters are trained in.

Answer:

Currently the Translating and Interpreting Service (TIS) National has access to over 1900 contracted interpreters, speaking more than 170 languages and dialects. The full list of languages is attached.

TIS National does not train translators and interpreters. TIS National is one of many interpreting service providers in Australia who contract interpreters who have language skills that are accredited or recognised by the National Accreditation Authority for Translators and Interpreters Ltd.