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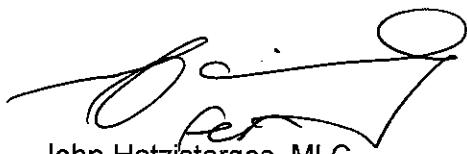
**Community Relations Commission – USE OF CRC LANGUAGE SERVICES BY  
FEDERAL DEPARTMENTS**

**Minister for Citizenship in response to a question by the Hon. DAVID CLARKE  
- How many times in 2009-10 did Federal Departments use the interpreting  
and translating services of the Community Relations Commission?**

MINISTER HATZISTERGOS: We provide more than 50,000 interpreting and translation assignments per year. It will take a bit of time to dig out that information – I am sorry, I will have to take that on notice.

**RESPONSE**

Federal agencies used the interpreting and translation services of the Community Relations Commission on 317 occasions during 2009-10.



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**Community Relations Commission – CRC COMMUNITY GRANTS**

**Minister for Citizenship in response to a question by the Hon. DAVID CLARKE  
– Between the year 2008-09 and the year 2009-10, why did the number of  
community grants given by the Commission decrease from 119 to 110?**

MINISTER HATZISTERGOS: I would have to look at that. It has to go through an assessment process. You advertise; people apply.

**RESPONSE**

Between 2008-09 and 2009-10 the number of community grants given by the Community Relations Commission increased by 39 grants. The Commission provided 119 community grants in 2008-09, and 158 grants in 2009-10.



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**Community Relations Commission – NATIONAL MULTICULTURAL  
MARKETING AWARDS**

**Minister for Citizenship in response to a question by the Hon. DAVID CLARKE  
about the Ethnic Business Awards**

MINISTER HATZISTERGOS: We are involved in the National Multicultural Marketing Awards, which is a long-term, highly successful project run by the Commission. I can give you some information on that if you want.

**RESPONSE**

Information on the Multicultural Marketing Awards is available at  
[http://www.crc.nsw.gov.au/Awards and Sponsorships/mma 2010](http://www.crc.nsw.gov.au/Awards_and_Sponsorships/mma_2010).



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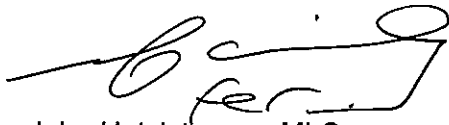
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**Community Relations Commission – AMOUNT SPENT ON CITIZENSHIP  
EVENTS IN 2009-20**

**Minister for Citizenship in response to a question by the Hon. JOHN AJAKA  
about the overall amount spent on citizenship events from 1 July 2009 to 30  
June 2010.**

**RESPONSE**

The Department of Immigration and Citizenship is responsible for processing requests for citizenship of Australia. The Community Relations Commission attends citizenship ceremonies, which are conducted by the Commonwealth and local councils.



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**Community Relations Commission – AMOUNT SPENT ON YOUTH HARMONY FESTIVAL IN MARCH 2010**

**Minister for Citizenship in response to a question by the Hon. JOHN AJAKA -  
The amount spent on the Youth Harmony Festival at Darling Harbour in March  
2010**

**RESPONSE**

The Youth Harmony Festival, which had a budget of \$50,000, was jointly funded by the Community Relations Commission and the Department of Immigration and Citizenship.



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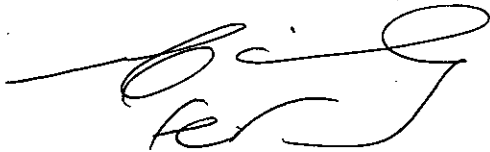
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**Community Relations Commission – AMOUNT SPENT ON 2009 CRC SYMPOSIUM AT PARRAMATTA**

**Minister for Citizenship in response to a question by the Hon. JOHN AJAKA -  
The amount spent on the 2009 CRC Symposium at Parramatta**

**RESPONSE**

The Community Relations Commission spent \$62,184.11 on the 2009 Symposium and Youth Leaders Day.

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**Minister for Citizenship**

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#### **Community Relations Commission – AMOUNT SPENT ON INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS FROM INDIAN SUBCONTINENT**

**Minister for Citizenship in response to a question by the Hon. JOHN AJAKA as follows:**

- 1. How much was allocated to establish a working party and develop information resources for international students from the Indian subcontinent?**
- 2. Are those resources up and running; and if so, how are they advertised and accessed?**
- 3. How much is the ongoing advertising of these resources expected to cost?**

#### **RESPONSE**

**Part 1 of Question:** No additional funds were allocated to establish the working party. \$14, 511.50 was provided by the Community Relations Commission toward resources to assist students. Additional funds were provided by the Department of Premier and Cabinet.

**Part 2 of Question:** Yes. They are distributed by government agencies and are not advertised.

**Part 3 of Question:** There are no advertising costs.



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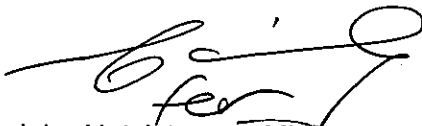
**Community Relations Commission – AMOUNT ALLOCATED TO LANGUAGE SERVICES**

**Minister for Citizenship in response to a question by the Hon. JOHN AJAKA – Of the \$9.3 million allocated to Language Services, how much has been utilised by:**

- 1. The ethnic community?**
- 2. Government departments?**

**RESPONSE**

In the 2009-10 financial year, of the \$9.3 million allocated to language services, \$3.5 million is utilised to provide non-recoupable services to NSW courts, legal centres and other community organisations. The balance of the allocation is for the provision of interpreting and translating services on a user pay basis.



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