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## Inquiry into ACT Budget 2021–22 ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE 20 October 2021

Asked by LEANNE CASTLEY MLA on 20 OCTOBER 2021: MS ARTHY took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander businesses

THE CHAIR: How many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander businesses do we have in the ACT?

Ms Arthy: I think I can find out, though I do not know whether we would have that. I am not sure that it gets down to that level of detail. I will see if I can find out during the course of this morning. If not, we may have to take that on notice.

TARA CHEYNE MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

The ACT Government currently has 303 Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander businesses listed on its Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander enterprise procurement list which is publicly available at <a href="https://www.procurement.act.gov.au/policy-and-resources/procurement-from-aboriginal-and-torres-strait-islander-organisations/atsi-enterprise-search">https://www.procurement.act.gov.au/policy-and-resources/procurement-from-aboriginal-and-torres-strait-islander-organisations/atsi-enterprise-search</a>.

The list draws on businesses registered in Canberra and the surrounding region from Supply Nation, the Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (ORIC) and the National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO).

Note that the ACT Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander enterprise list only contains registered businesses. There may be other businesses who are unregistered, or those that have not self-identified existing in the ACT who are not captured.

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By the Minister for Business and Better Regulation, Tara Cheyne MLA