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MINISTERIAL MULTICULTURAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

752. Hon TJORN SIBMA to the parliamentary secretary representing Minister for Citizenship and Multicultural Interests:

My question is dated 8 September. I refer to the Ministerial Multicultural Advisory Council.

- (1) On how many occasions in 2021 has the MMAC met with the Minister for Citizenship and Multicultural Interests?
- (2) I refer to the comments of the Minister for Health that the Roll Up for WA COVID-19 vaccination campaign, and I quote —

...specifically targets culturally and linguistically diverse communities through a range of channels and creative assets.

Was the MMAC consulted, or did it provide advice, in relation to the development of that aspect of the vaccination campaign?

(3) Were any other CALD groups or associations consulted in the development of campaign collateral; and, if so, which ones?

Hon SAMANTHA ROWE replied:

I thank the member for some notice of the question and I provide the following answer on behalf of the Minister for Citizenship and Multicultural Interests.

- (1) The Minister for Citizenship and Multicultural Interests chairs the bimonthly meetings of the Ministerial Multicultural Advisory Council. So far in 2021, the council has met three times.
- (2) The Premier, Minister for Health, Minister for Citizenship and Multicultural Interests and Chief Health Officer have met with the MMAC in relation to the Roll Up for WA COVID-19 vaccination campaign.
- (3) The Office of Multicultural Interests, together with the Department of Health and the Department of the Premier and Cabinet, has been in frequent contact with culturally and linguistically diverse communities regarding COVID-19 and the vaccination rollout. This has included forums on the vaccination rollout with a number of CALD community groups and associations. These have included representatives from Afghan, African, Arab, Chinese, Indian, Korean, Malaysian, Filipino and other CALD communities.