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Jobs and Skills Australia

Australian Government

Dear Officer in Charge,

Submission on draft Core Skills Occupations List (CSOL)

We are an immigration law firm operating out of Canberra and Brisbane. We assist Australian organisations with obtaining visas for skilled staff which they wish to recruit from overseas, where those skills are not readily available in Australia.

Among the organisations we assist are peak associations for Olympic sports in Australia. We were particularly concerned to see that many sports occupations were not on JSA's Confident On List, especially with the Brisbane Olympics coming up in 2032. We have particular experience with sports organisations needing to recruit highly-skilled ANZSCO 452317 Other Sports Coaches and ANZSCO 139915 Sports Administrators from overseas who have much-needed international experience to bolster Australia's sporting capabilities. Sports Administrators include high performance managers and pathway managers whose tasks include identifying and fostering sporting talent. The occupation of Sports Administrator currently has the restrictions of being on the Regional Occupations List (ROL) which prevents sports organisations nominating candidates for a visa where the position is not based in a regional area. We submit that Sports Administrator should be freed from the restrictions of being on the ROL.

We understand that the draft CSOL, as it stands, places sports occupations as follows, whereas all sports occupations should be included on the CSOL:

Confident on list

- 452317 Other Sports Coach or Instructor (Wushu Martial Arts and Yoga Instructor Only) **Note: Other sports coaches are not on the list.**

Confident off list

- 139915 Sports Administrator
- 149113 Sports Centre Manager
- 452322 Sports Umpire
- 452323 Other Sports Official



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- 452499 Sportspersons nec

Targeted for consultation

- 362312 Sports Turf Manager
- 362313 Sports Turf Trades Worker
- 452313 Horse Riding Coach or Instructor
- 452321 Sports Development Officer

It is not clear to us why 452317 Other Sports Coach or Instructor is limited to Wushu Martial Arts and Yoga Instructor only.

We have made this a short submission in the time we have available but would be available for further consultation.

Yours sincerely,

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