## EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Statutory Rules No. 117 of 1986

Migration Regulations (Amendment)

Issued by the authority of the Minister for Immigration and Ethnic Affairs

Section 67 of the Migration Act 1958 (the Act), so far as is relevant, provides that the Governor-General may make regulations, not inconsistent with the Act, prescribing all matters required or permitted by the Act to be prescribed, including regulations providing for the charging and recovery of fees in respect of applications for entry permits.

Sub-regulation 29AA(4) of the Migration Regulations sets the fee payable by an intending employer on lodging ten or more applications for unconditional entry permits on behalf of persons he proposes to employ. Sub-regulation 29AA(2) sets the fee payable on lodging one such application.

The fee payable for an application under sub-regulation 29AA(2) had been increased by \$20 over the last two years but the fee for ten or more applications had not been similarly increased. The purpose of the amending regulation was to provide for the fee payable under sub-regulation 29AA(4) to be brought into line with that charged under sub-regulation 29AA(2).

Details of the amending regulations are as follows:

Regulation 1 set a date for operation of the amending regulations of 1 June 1986.

Regulation 2 amended sub-regulation 29AA(4) of the Migration Regulations by omitting \$1,250 and substituting \$1,450.