

# **Board of Senior Secondary Studies (Recognised Educational Institution) Declaration 2017 (No 2)**

**Notifiable instrument NI2017–562**

made under the

**Board of Senior Secondary Studies Act 1997, s 3B (What is a recognised Educational Institution?)**

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## **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

The Board of Senior Secondary Studies Act 1997 (the Act), section 3B allows the Minister to declare that an overseas school is a recognised educational institution if the following conditions are satisfied:

- (a) it is established and operates in another country; and
- (b) it does not operate in Australia; and
- (c) it has entered into an agreement with the Board of Senior Secondary Studies (the Board) in relation to 1 or more of the following:
  - (i) the accreditation by the Board of courses taught by the school;
  - (ii) the assessment by the Board of the school's students;
  - (iii) the issue by the Board of certificates of attainment to the school's students.

The definition of 'recognised educational institution' in the Act, section 3B was amended by the *Board of Senior Secondary Studies Amendment Act 2015* to require a school to be declared as a recognised educational by Minister by notifiable instrument.

The effect of the amendment on existing international schools which had previously entered into agreements with the Board is that those schools, listed in Schedule 1, now require a declaration. This instrument declares the schools to be recognised educational institutions with effect from when the

schools entered into agreements with the Board. The retrospective nature of the declaration is non prejudicial.