Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO

2013-14 Supplementary Estimates Hearings

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Senator Moore asked:

In relation to accommodation for DSS, can you provide information about what DSS' process is in terms of how you are doing it and in what format. Can you also provide a map of the regional network.

Answer:

- In general the DSS regional office accommodation strategy includes:
 - o Reduction in office sizes were possible with commensurate lease reductions;
 - o Co-location/co-tenancy with other Agencies, where practical; and
 - o Staff from other agencies sharing our tenancies.
- DSS provides commercial leased office accommodation for staff in regional locations.
- DSS engages a service provider to manage all DSS regional properties.

Attachment:

Map of the Regional Network