QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 17 October 2016

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(SE16/047) - money for visas transferred to Nauruan government - Programme 1.5: IMA Offshore Management

Senator McKim, Nick (L&CA 117) asked:

Senator McKIM: Thank you. Again, that money for the visas is simply transferred into a bank account owned by the Nauruan government, is it?

Ms Moy: It is paid to Nauru based on our acquittal of the number of refugees and transferees within Nauru each month.

Senator McKIM: What about visas for departmental staff? Do you pay for visas for departmental staff?

Ms Moy: I would have to take that on notice.

Answer:

Under agreement with the Government of Nauru, departmental staff travelling to Nauru for official purposes are not subject to visa fees.