

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 9 FEBRUARY 2010**

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

**(19) Program 2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance**

Senators Humphries and Barnett (L&CA 56) asked:

When were the names of the passengers on board the Oceanic Viking referred to the AFP?

*Answer:*

Customs has advised that they had a nominal roll available on the 18 October and that the names of the passengers would have been communicated to the AFP in the course of the regular Operation Meeting Forum held at that time.

DIAC did not send the passenger list to the AFP, as the AFP is not generally involved in character checking processes for clients who have not been resident in Australia.