QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 21-22 MAY 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE12/0005) Program: Migration Review Tribunal and Refugee Review Tribunal

Senator Cash (L&CA 9) asked:

How many documents have been sent to the Department's document review unit in the last financial year, in the current financial year to date?

Answer.

Documents may be sent to the department's Document Verification Unit by the tribunal's registries, or by the tribunal's Country Advice and Information Service.

The Tribunals do not collect data on requests sent to the Document Verification Unit. However, reference to the tribunals' records indicates that the tribunal sent documents to the department's Document Verification Unit as follows:

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