QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 21-22 MAY 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE12/0112) Program: Internal Product

Senator Humphries asked:

For this financial year to date: How many Reviews are being undertaken? What reviews have concluded, and for those that are still ongoing, when will those reviews be concluded. Which of these reviews has been provided to Government? When will the Government be responding to the respective reviews that have been completed? What is the estimated cost of each of these Reviews? What reviews are planned? When will each of these reviews be concluded?

Answer.

The response to this question can be found at <u>Attachment A</u>.

Attachment A

Name of Review	Conclusion Date/Expected Conclusion Date	Review Provided to the Government	Government Response	Estimated Cost
Independent Review into the Incidents at the Christmas Island Immigration Detention Centre and the Villawood Immigration Detention Centre(Hawke /Williams Review)	29 August 2011	Yes	Response released on 29 November 2011	All costs related to the review were absorbed within existing departmental resources.
Review of Humanitarian Settlement Services (HSS) Performance Measures and Contract Management (the Richmond Review)	30 September 2011	Yes	Response provided 13 December 2011	All costs related to the review were absorbed within existing departmental resources.
Permanent Employer Sponsored Visa Review	March 2012	Yes	Recommendations introduced 1 July 2012	All costs related to the review were absorbed within existing departmental resources.
Business Skills Review	May 2012	Yes	25 May 2012	All costs related to the review were absorbed within existing departmental resources.
Review of Refugee Decision Making Within the Protection Obligations Determination (POD) Process	29 June 2012	No	Response anticipated late 2012 or early 2013	All costs related to the review were absorbed within existing departmental resources.
Access and Equity Inquiry Inquiry into the responsiveness of Australian Government services to Australia's culturally and linguistically divers population.	27 June 2012	Yes	Response anticipated late 2012 or early 2013	All costs related to the review were absorbed within existing departmental resources.