QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 21-22 MAY 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE12/0344) Program 4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution

Senator Cash (L&CA 60) asked:

For the first half of 2011 15 permanent partner visas were cancelled. In 2010-11 38 permanent partner visas were cancelled. Provide a breakdown detailing which sections of the Migration Act these visas were cancelled under?

Answer.

In the first six months of 2011, 15 permanent partner visas were cancelled. Of these:

- four were cancelled under section 501 of the *Migration Act 1958* (the Act)
- six were cancelled under section 128 of the Act;
- four were cancelled under section 116 of the Act; and
- one was cancelled under section 109 of the Act.

In 2010-11, 38 permanent partner visas were cancelled. Of these:

- six were cancelled under section 501 of the Act;
- 21 were cancelled under Section 128 of the Act;
- seven were cancelled under section 140 of the Act;
- two were cancelled under section 116 of the Act; and
- two were cancelled under section 109 of the Act.