

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 15 October 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(SE12/0594) PROGRAM – 4.3: Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash asked:

Implementation of Hawke-Williams report: The Department noted in this report that “significant risks remain in this complex area of public policy administration” – what are those risks?

Answer:

The department has a strategic and tactical risk map for 2012-13, which comprises six overarching strategic risks. The risk map documents the department’s highest level risks and is a key management tool for prioritising and managing risk at a departmental level, including the immigration detention network. The strategic risks for the immigration detention network are:

- DIAC fails to contribute to whole of government approaches to minimise the impact of IMAs with ineffective policy advice, detention services, quality customer service, or organisational capability to respond to current or future challenges.
- Failure to provide the organisational capability to deal effectively with IMAs and other persons in breach of immigration law