

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
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**Senator:** Gallacher

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**Question:**

**Senator Cormann:** Well, you asked specifically about this department. I can confirm that my department was involved with the Department of Immigration and Border Protection in relation to their leasing arrangements; that is right.

**Senator GALLACHER:** So did you sign off in April 2016 on this proposal?

**Senator Cormann:** I have to take on notice the specific dates. But I can certainly confirm that the agreement that was reached in the end, which was better than where we started, involved my department as part of the process.

**Answer:**

Endorsement for the Department of Immigration and Border Protection to enter into lease negotiations for its long term lease arrangements was provided on 28 April 2016, by the Minister for Finance, consistent with the requirement of the Commonwealth Property Management Framework.