

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING : 23 February 2015

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(AE15/067) - ACV Ocean Shield - Programme 1.1 Border Management (ACBPS)

Senator Carr, Kim (L&CA 108) asked:

Mr Quaedvlieg: The majority of the works have already been undertaken in Singapore, but there are some additional modifications that we need to make to the vessel in order to make it entirely operable for the Southern Ocean. I understand that work will take place in Hobart.

Senator KIM CARR: Was there a tender issued for the modifications?

Mr Quaedvlieg: We will take that on notice.

Senator KIM CARR: I would appreciate it if you could provide the details of that tendering arrangement.

Mr Quaedvlieg: Yes, we will do. I suspect it might be access to existing contractors for our marine fleet. But I will come back and confirm that for you.

Answer:

The modifications to the *ACV Ocean Shield* are being undertaken under an existing contract that makes provision for the delivery of additional services.