

## QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

**ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING : 24 March 2017**

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

**(AE17/262) - Visa ministerial intervention categories - Programme 2.3: Visas**

Senator Pratt, Louise (L&CA) written:

How many requests for ministerial intervention (overall categories) were received and can you please provide a breakdown of the visa categories and number of requests for ministerial intervention for:

2013/2014

2014/2015

2015/2016

2016/2017

*Answer:*

The following tables provide data on ministerial intervention requests received by the Minister for the past four years.

### **Ministerial intervention under sections 351, 417 and 48B\***

<b>Total</b>	<b>2012-13</b>	<b>2013-14</b>	<b>2014-15</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>2016-17*</b>
<b>Received (cases)</b>	5058	5363	4393	4051	2046

\*Under sections 351 and 417 of the Migration Act the Minister can substitute a decision that is more favourable to a person for a decision of a review tribunal. Under section 48B of the Migration Act, the Minister can allow a person who has had a Protection visa refused or cancelled to make a new Protection visa application onshore.