QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES - 26 - 27 MAY 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(BE14/034) PROGRAMME – Australian Customs and Border Protection Service

Senator Singh (L&CA 92) asked:

Senator SINGH: I want to ask what the current budget for Project TRICORD and Operation POLO is.

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Senator SINGH: I had similar questions for Operation Polaris. Does that also not have a specific budget?

Mr Pezzullo: It might have a supplementary allocation over and above what you describe as standing resources, but we would have to look at that on notice.

Answer:

No specific budget has been allocated for Project TRICORD/Operation Polo. Contributions to these operations, including Operation Polaris, are funded from within the existing budget allocation for enforcement operations.