

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING : 22 May 2017

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(BE17/202) - Traditional visitor permit statistics - Programme 1.1: Border Enforcement

Senator Carr, Kim (L&CA) written:

Please provide the number of Traditional Visitor Permits issued per annum for 2014-2015 and 2015-2016

Please provide the number of Traditional Visitor Permits declined per annum for 2014-2015 and 2015-2016

Answer:

The Traditional Visitor Permit is an administrative tool introduced by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade to manage the legitimate movement of persons across the border. One permit may cover the movement of up to ten individuals included in one passage. The Department records the number of traditional movements, however the number of permits is not recorded.