# **QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

# **SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 20 OCTOBER 2014**

### IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

### (SE14/267) PROGRAMME – Internal Product

Senator Ludwig asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

a. Provide a breakdown of any changes to employment classifications that have access to a corporate credit card.

b. Have there been any changes to action taken in the event that the corporate credit card is misused?

c. Have there been any changes to how corporate credit card use is monitored?d. Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered during the specified period? If so:

e. Please list staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken.

f. Have there been any changes to what action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse?

g. How any credit cards available to the Minister or their office? If so, please list by classification. Have there been any misuse of credit cards by the Minister or their office? Has any action been taken against the Minister or their office for credit card misuse? If so, list each occurrence, including the cost of the misuse.

a) The following is a breakdown of the changes in employment classification of corporate cardholders from the previous response provided in June 2014;

Classification	as at June 2014	as at October 2014	Change
APS 1-6	3004	3170	166
Executive Level	1597	1658	61
SES	99	104	5
Secretary	1	1	0
Total	4701	4933	232

**Travel Cards - Department of Immigration and Border Protection Portfolio** 

Classification	as at June 2014	as at October 2014	Change
APS 1-6	1676	1778	102
Executive Level	890	793	- 97
SES	129	84	-45
Secretary/CEO	1	1	0
Total	2696	2656	-40

**Corporate Purchase Card - Department of Immigration and Border Protection Portfolio** 

There have been no reported cases of credit card misuse for the period 1 July 2014 to 15 November 2014 (2013-14 nil cases).

**b**) No

- c) No
- **d**) No
- e) Nil
- f) No

### g) Minister's Office

The Minister has been provided with a departmental travel card. The card has a \$50,000.00 limit and its use is subject to the departmental policies and procedures. There have been no transactions on the Minister's travel card since it was issued. The Ministers staff have not been issued with a departmental credit card.

The Assistant Minister and her staff have not been issued with a departmental corporate card.