## **QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

# SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 20 OCTOBER 2014

## IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

#### (SE14/310) PROGRAMME – Internal Product

Senator Ludwig (Written) asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

How much did each department/agency spend on taxis during the specified period? Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency.

a. What are the reasons for taxi costs?

b. How much did the department spend on taxis during the specified period for their minister or minister's office?

#### Answer:

The following table itemises the Portfolio's taxi costs for each business group from 1 June 2014 to 31 October 2014.

| Business Area                    | 1 June 2014 - 31 October 2014 |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Policy & Program Management      | \$ 110 616                    |
| Business Services                | \$ 120 006                    |
| Client Services                  | \$ 236 413                    |
| Immigration Status Resolution    | \$ 179 887                    |
| Corporate Activities             | \$ 12 967                     |
| PRTF, OMARA                      | \$ 4 642                      |
| MRT-RRT                          | \$16,532                      |
| Border Force                     | \$190 225                     |
| Border Protection Command        | \$7 187                       |
| Executive and taskforces         | \$27 067                      |
| Integrity Security and Assurance | \$19 255                      |
| Intelligence                     | \$26 911                      |
| Strategic Border Command         | \$138 279                     |
| Support                          | \$46 696                      |
| Technology                       | \$29 878                      |
| Trade and Customs                | \$44 226                      |
| TOTAL                            | \$1,194,256.00                |

- a. Taxis are needed for: :
- travel between meetings with other departments, agencies and stakeholders;
- travel between accommodation and work on business trips;
- travel to and from airports on business trips;

b. The department did not have any expenditure on taxis for the Minister, Assistant Minister or their offices for the period 1 June 2014 to 31 October 2014.