

## QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

### SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING : 17 October 2016

#### IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

#### **(SE16/167) - Contractors and consultants - Internal Product (DIBP)**

Senator McAllister, Jenny (L&CA) written:

What was the total expenditure on contractors and consultants in the 2015-16 financial year. For each contract or consultancy in the 2015-16 financial year, please outline:

- a) The project or engagement;
- b) The value of the contract;
- c) The name of each firm or contractor engaged; and
- d) The purpose of the contract.

For each contract or consultancy in the 2015-16 financial year, please outline:

- a) The names of each firm or contractor engaged; and
- b) Total payments made to each contractor or consultant.

*Answer:*

- Contractors and consultants provide expertise and skills when a shortage is identified to assist with undertaking a large number of projects and non-project related work across the organisation. To provide the level of detail requested and determine expenditure incurred by contractors and consultants on each project of engagement would be an unreasonable diversion of resources.
- The Department publishes information about its contracts that exceed \$10,000, including contractors and consultancies, on the AusTender website. AusTender should be referred to for the number of active contracts for contractors and their respective values.