QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING: 13 February 2006

IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

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Senator Nettle asked:

When do you expect the Ombudsman report on the 220 people?

Answer:

The Ombudsman has indicated that he will be preparing a number of reports in response to his investigation of the 220 people. The Ombudsman has advised that a report about an individual with mental health problems will be released on 23 March 2006. The timing of the Ombudsman's reports into the investigation of the remaining cases is a matter better addressed to the Ombudsman.