QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING: 12 February 2007

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(2) Output: Internal Product

Senator Ludwig (L&CA 4) asked:

In terms of the financial year and the budget, how are you going with your underspends and overspends by output area? Do you have a breakdown of where you are at this point? We now have the additional portfolio statement. We have had a look at the budget from last year, and so we are running down to 30 June. I am trying to identify within the particular outputs and programs those areas where you are under or over as the case may be.

Answer:

The Department is currently projecting an overspend at the end of the year.

As at the end of February 2007 the Department is showing an underspend against pro rata budget in outputs 1.5 and 2.1. Outputs 1.1, 1.2, 1.4, 2.2, 2.3 and 2.4 are currently overspent against pro rata budget. Output 1.3 is currently on budget.