

## **QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING: 12 February 2007**

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

**(70) Output 1.2: Refugee and Humanitarian Entry and Stay**

Senator Ludwig asked:

AUSCO Quality Assurance Framework:

1. What are the costs involved with the establishment of this new quality assurance framework?
2. Will the contract be tendered out or has Walter Turnbull been retained?
3. What is the estimates cost of the framework?

*Answer:*

Walter Turnbull undertook an audit of the QA framework of the Integrated Humanitarian Settlement Strategy (IHSS). AUSCO is not a part of the IHSS contract.

1. The QA framework for AUSCO is part of the IOM contract. The cost of this contract is \$5.5million.
2. No – see above.
3. See response above.