QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING: 12 February 2007

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(90) Output 1.3: Enforcement of Immigration Law

Senator Nettle (L&CA 77) asked:

What is the estimated monthly figure of expected illegal fishers provided by the Australian Customs Service?

Answer:

The Australian Customs Service has advised DIAC that forecasted apprehensions for 2006-2007 have been revised to 400 illegal foreign fishing vessels, with an average of 7.48 fishers per vessel. Customs has not provided monthly projections.