QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 9 FEBRUARY 2010

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(88) Program: Internal Product

Senator Barnett asked:

- (1) How many reports commissioned by the Minister are currently being undertaken in the portfolio/agency or affecting the portfolio agency?
- (2) When will each of these reports be concluded?
- (3) Which reports have been completed since Budget Estimates?
- (4) When will the Government be responding to the respective reports that have been completed?
- (5) What is the total number of reports both completed and ongoing in the portfolio/agency or affecting the portfolio agency since November 2007?
- (6) What is the estimated cost of these reports?
- (7) What further reports are planned for 2009-10 FY?

Answer.

- (1) As at 9 February 2010, nil.
- (2) N/A.
- (3) The Review of the Personal Identifier Provisions was handed to the Minister on 4 November 2009.
- (4) A formal response to the report is not required.
- (5) Four completed, nil ongoing.
- (6) (i) Visa Subclass 457 External Reference Group \$13,041.59
- (ii) Subclass 457 Integrity Review (Deegan) \$345,521.56
- (iii) Review of the Personal Identifier Provisions Introduced in 2004 to *Migration Act* 1958 \$39,279.
- (iv) Citizenship Test Review \$221,131.
- (7) Nil.