

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 21 FEBRUARY 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(171) Program 4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution

Senator Cash asked:

Can the department guarantee that the level of compliance, bona-fide and investigative activity has not been curtailed as a result of the pressure put on the department by the number of unprecedented unlawful arrivals?

Answer:

Yes. Activity to prevent, deter and respond to non-compliance with immigration law continues as a significant part of the Department's work.