

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING: 13 FEBRUARY 2012**

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

**(AE12/0028) Program: Internal Product**

Senator Cash asked:

In relation to the new policy that allows media inside detention centres; what has been the outcome of requests or actions by the department to censor any material produced?

*Answer:*

The Department of Immigration and Citizenship has not requested or acted to censor any material produced. However consistent with the Media Access Deed of Agreement, a departmental representative has reviewed all video and/or still images collected during immigration detention visits. In all instances where privacy concerns have been raised by the department, the media representative has agreed to pixilate or delete those images.