QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING: 13 FEBRUARY 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(AE12/0041) Program: Internal Product

Senator Cash asked:

How many employees within the National Communications Branch work within the Department of Immigration and Citizenship? What is the annual cost of the salaries and maintenance of these employees?

Answer.

Current National Communications Branch staffing and classifications as at 23 March 2012 are:

Summary NCB Staffing Classifications	
SES	1
SPAOA	3
PAO3 (includes 6	11.4
interstate based staff)	
PAO2	5
PAO1	4
EL1	1
APS6	1
APS5	1
Total staff	27.4*

* A further three PAOs are funded under other cost centres: one non-ongoing PAO1 and one non-ongoing PAO3 are currently funded from the <u>IMA</u> cost centre; and one APS3 currently funded from the Anti-People Smuggling Production cost centre.

The projected annual cost of salaries of the 27.4 employees for the 2011-12 financial year is \$2.7 million.