

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING: 13 FEBRUARY 2012**

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

**(AE12/0072) Program: Internal Product**

Senator Humphries asked:

Grants: Has the Department complied with interim requirements relating to the publication of discretionary grants?

*Answer:*

Yes, the Department of Immigration and Citizenship has complied with the interim requirements. As background the department has two grant programs. Details of all approved grants for the Diversity and Social Cohesion Program and the Settlement Grants Program have been published on the Department of Immigration and Citizenship website.

The grants under both programs are administered by the Department's State and Territory Offices. To avoid possible delays in publishing the details of the grants, the Department routinely publishes the details for each funding round in bulk when they have been approved by the Parliamentary Secretary.