QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 13 FEBRUARY 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(AE12/0083) Program : Internal Product

Senator Humphries asked:

Reviews: For this financial year to date: How many Reviews are being undertaken? What reviews have concluded, and for those that are still ongoing, when will those reviews be concluded? Which of these reviews has been provided to Government? When will the Government be responding to the respective reviews that have been completed? What is the estimated cost of each of these Reviews? What reviews are planned? When will each of these reviews be concluded?

Answer.

For this financial year to date there were two reviews undertaken by the Department. The details of each review are at Attachment A.

Attachment A

| Name of Review | Conclusion Date/Expected Conclusion Date | Reviews provided to the Government | Government Response | Estimated Cost |
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| Business Skills Review | July 2012 | Yes | Response anticipated in July 2012 | All costs related to the review were absorbed within existing departmental resources. |
| Permanent Employer Sponsored Visa Review | March 2012 | Yes | Response made in March 2012 | All costs related to the review were absorbed within existing departmental resources. |