QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING: 13 FEBRUARY 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(AE12/0161) Program 3.1: Border Management

Senator Xenophon (L&CA 40) asked:

To what extent has the department worked with the Fair Work Ombudsman in their investigation into the use of overseas flight crew working in Australia?

Answer.

In January 2012, the Fair Work Ombudsman requested information from DIAC about the legislative provisions for the airline crew special purpose visa arrangements. DIAC provided this information.

DIAC understands that the Fair Work Ombudsman is specifically investigating whether Jetstar has breached any of its obligations under the *Fair Work Act 2009*. This is not an investigation into the immigration arrangements for international airline crew working in Australia.