

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 11 February 2013

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(AE13/0206) PROGRAM – Internal Product

Senator Cash (Written) asked:

How much has the government paid out in compensation to IMA's and for what reasons in 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13 to date?

Answer:

As at 31 December 2012, departmental records show that no compensation has been paid to IMAs that have arrived since 1 July 2010. Any compensation payments made to unauthorised boat arrivals in recent years were to people who arrived prior to that time.