

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 11 February 2013

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(AE13/0212) PROGRAM – 4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution

Senator Cash (Written) asked:

What is the total DIAC budget for compliance in 12/13 and every year from 07/08, how much was spent conducting compliance raids in 12/13 and every year since 07/08?

Answer:

The Department's compliance activities are funded under Program 4.1 Visa Compliance and Status Resolution, which contains three sub-programs: Detection Onshore, Removals and Status Resolution. The Portfolio Additional Estimates Statements include an estimate for compliance activities of \$127.1 million for the financial year 2012-13.

A comparison between the current estimate and the previous five financial years' budgets for compliance activities is summarised below.

| Financial Year | 2007-08 | 2008-09 | 2009-10 | 2010-11 | 2011-12 | 2012-13 |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | \$ million | \$ million | \$ million | \$ million | \$ million | \$ million |
| Departmental | 117.5 | 131.0 | 123.9 | 116.5 | 150.5 | 117.8 |
| Administered | | | 7.4 | 8.7 | 9.1 | 9.3 |
| Total | 117.5 | 131.0 | 131.3 | 125.2 | 159.6 | 127.1 |

It is not possible to provide a breakdown of expenditure on compliance field activities over this period.