

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 25 February 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(AE14-171)

Senator Carr (Written) asked:

Question

What resources are being used to increase Australia's aerial surveillance capabilities?

Answer:

A total of \$26.3 million over four years was provided to the Australian Customs and Border Protection Service at Additional Estimates to increase aerial surveillance.

\$7.7 million will be used to extend the contract for two Reims 406 aircraft for 12 months. The remaining \$18.6 million over four years will be used to provide additional surveillance using the Dash 8 aircraft.