

## **QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 25 February 2014**

**IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO**

**(AE14-324)**

Senator Conroy (Written) asked:

Can you provide a timeline of what happened once we discovered that Australian vessels had entered Indonesian territorial waters?

*Answer:*

### **Wednesday 15 January 2014**

- The Minister for Immigration and Border Protection was notified that Headquarters Border Protection Command had identified that vessels under its control had entered Indonesian waters.

### **Wednesday 15 January to Friday 17 January 2014**

- The information about the incursions was verified and relevant senior officials and Ministers were advised.
- Australian officials briefed Indonesian officials at the earliest opportunity, including the Australian Government apologising to the Indonesian Government.
- Control measures were immediately implemented to preclude any further breaches of Indonesian waters.

### **Friday 17 January 2014**

- The Minister for Immigration and Border Protection and the Commander Joint Agency Task Force held a press conference and advised that a Joint Review would be conducted by Defence and the Australian Customs and Border Protection Service.

### **Tuesday 21 January 2014**

- The Joint Review commenced.

### **Wednesday 19 February 2014**

- A public version of the Joint Review was released.