QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES - 25 FEBRUARY 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(AE14/500) PROGRAMME - Internal Product

Senator Ludwig (Written) asked:

Provide a list of all formal functions or forms of hospitality conducted for the Minister. Include:

- a) The guest list of each function
- b) The party or individual who initiated the request for the function
- c) The menu, program or list of proceedings of the function
- d) A list of drinks consumed at the function

Answer:

The department has been involved in two official functions that were hosted by the Minister for Immigration and Border Protection.

- a) The Minister hosted Mr David Adeang, Nauru Minister for Justice and Major General (Rtd) Jim Molan AO DSC.
 - The Minister also hosted a dinner for Mr Amir Sayamuddin, Indonesia Minister for Law and Human Rights, Major General (Rtd) Jim Molan AO DSC, Mr Craig Chittick, Ambassador for People Smuggling. In addition there were seven Indonesian officials and two departmental officials.
- b) The office of the Minister for Immigration and Border Protection initiated the request for these functions.
- c) The functions were held to undertake high level discussions and build relationships, and a seasonal, a-la-carte menu was provided.
- d) Tea, coffee, beer, wine and soft drinks were provided at the functions.

MRT-RRT answer [Erin Petkoski 9/04 0804hrs]:

The MRT-RRT have not held any formal functions or provided hospitality for the Minister.

Customs input [Brendan Hill 05/05 1544hrs]:

No formal functions or hospitality has been conducted for the Minister by the Australian Customs and Border Protection Service.