QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES - 25 FEBRUARY 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(AE14/532) PROGRAMME – Internal Product

Senator Ludwig (Written) asked:

Are there any plans for further staff reductions/voluntary redundancies? If so, please advise details including if there is a reduction target, how this will be achieved, and if any services/programs will be cut.

a) If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening.

Answer:

The portfolio is contributing to the overall reduction in staffing across the Australian Public Service. In some cases voluntary redundancy may be offered to achieve this reduction.