

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 28 MAY 2009

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(46) Program 3.1: Border Management

Senator Fierravanti-Wells (L&CA 58) asked:

What spending initiatives have come out of Bali other than the \$500,000 for the population movement study? Have existing programs from the previous government been extended? If so, which ones and which ones have been discontinued?

Answer:

Apart from the population movement study, a new spending initiative under the Bali Process is for the re-forming of an Ad Hoc Group to regionally address displacement in the region.

Funding for Bali Process initiatives amount to \$2.9 million over the next four years.

No existing programs from the previous government have been discontinued.