

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 27 MAY 2010

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(102) Program 2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance

Senator Humphries (L&C 74) asked:

As well as the international organisations, we have the advantage in this country of having a substantial population of expatriates. Has DIAC or anyone else in the government used those communities to verify the information that you receive from other sources?

Answer:

The Department of Immigration and Citizenship does not routinely seek comments from expatriate communities on country information received from reputable sources.