QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 26 MAY 2010

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(54) Program 2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance

Senator Barnett (L&C 98) asked:

Provide a list of the Immigration Advice and Application Assistance Scheme (IAAAS) panel members and the cost for the last financial year and the cost for this year to date?

Answer.

1. The list of Immigration Advice and Application Assistance Scheme (IAAAS) providers is attached. Public access to the up-to-date List of Providers and their contact details is available through a link to the Department's Fact Sheet 63 on the IAAAS at: http://www.immi.gov.au/media/fact-sheets/63advice_providers.htm.

IAAAS contracts contain a provision enabling the Department to add or subtract provider allocated detention facility work during the term of the agreement as required.

2. IAAAS costs are:

2008-09

(a) mainstream IAAAS: \$2.313 million(b) IAAAS Christmas Island: \$1.155 million

2009-10 (to 31 March 2010)

(a) mainstream IAAAS: \$1.44 million(b) IAAAS Christmas Island: \$3.048 million

Whilst mainstream IAAAS expenditure to 31 March 2010 was considerably below pro rata, the preliminary full year outcome now indicates that the mainstream IAAAS Administered budget for 2009-10 will be fully expended.

Mainstream IAAAS services provide application assistance to Protection Visa applicants in detention and immigration advice and application assistance to vulnerable Protection and other visa applicants in the community. These mainstream services are distinct from the publicly funded assistance afforded to irregular maritime arrivals (IMAs) on Christmas Island for refugee status assessment.

Mainstream and Christmas Island IAAAS services are also separately funded and operate independently within the funding that has been allocated to each service.

Details of IAAAS service providers for 2006-11

New South Wales

Agent's name	Contact details	Services		
and address		Detention	Community	
Craddock Murray Neumann Level 3, 131 York Street SYDNEY NSW 2000	Telephone: 02 8268 4000 Website: www.craddock.com.au Email: jvanleer@craddock.com.au	Sydney, Melbourne, Christmas Island	NSW - Sydney, VIC - Melbourne	
Illawarra Multicultural Services 17 Auburn Street WOLLONGONG NSW 2500	Telephone: 02 4229 6855 Email: info@ims.org.au Email: afield@ims.org.au		NSW - Illawarra region	
Immigration Advice & Rights Centre Inc (IARC) Level 5, 362 Kent Street SYDNEY NSW 2000	Telephone: 02 9279 4300 Website: www.iarc.asn.au Email: iarc@iarc.asn.au		NSW	
Legal Aid Commission of New South Wales 323 Castlereagh Street SYDNEY NSW 2000	Telephone: 02 9219 5910 Website: www.legalaid.nsw.gov.au	Sydney	NSW	
Northern Settlement Services Ltd 8 Chaucer Street HAMILTON NSW 2303	Telephone: 02 4969 3399 Website: www.nsservices.com.au Email: nss@nsservices.com.au		NSW - Newcastle, Lake Macquarie, mid and upper Hunter, Coffs Harbour, Lismore, Armidale, Tamworth, Orange, Bathurst, Dubbo, Hunter, Central Coast	

Playfair Visa & Migration Services Level 5, 37 Bligh Street SYDNEY NSW 2000	Telephone: 02 9233 8899 Website: www.playfair.com.au Email: info@playfair.com.au	Sydney, Christmas Island	NSW
Refugee Advice and Casework Service (RACS) Level 12, 173- 175 Phillip Street SYDNEY NSW 2000	Telephone 02 9114 1600 Website: www.racs.org.au Email: admin@racs.org.au	Sydney, Christmas Island	NSW, ACT

Queensland

Agent's name and	Contact details	Services		
address		Detention	Community	
Refugee and Immigration Legal Service (RAILS) Level 1, 170 Boundary Street WEST END QLD 4101	Telephone: 07 3846 3189 Website: www.rails.org.au Email: admin@rails.org.au	Brisbane	QLD - Brisbane and SE QLD, outreach services to rest of QLD	

Northern Territory

Agent's name and	Contact details	Services	
address		Detention	Community
Northern Territory Legal Aid Commission 6th Floor, 9-11 Cavenagh Street DARWIN NT 0800	Telephone: 08 8999 3000 Website: www.ntlac.nt.gov.au Email: IAAAS@ntlac.nt.gov.au	Darwin	NT - Darwin, Katherine, Alice Springs, Tennant Creek

Victoria

Agent's name and	Contact details	Services		
address		Detention	Community	
Florin Burhala & Associates Pty Ltd Level 1, 340 Collins Street MELBOURNE VIC 3000	Telephone: 03 9642 5855 Telephone: 1300 662 011 Website: www.fblawyers.com.au Email: fburhala@fblawyers.com.au	Melbourne, Christmas Island	VIC, TAS	
Thornton Immigration Lawyers 15 John Street PAKENHAM VIC 3810	Telephone: 03 5941 8456 Website: www.thorntonimmigration.co m.au Email: Michaelt@ thorntonimmigration.com.au		VIC - South Eastern Melbourne including Dandenong, Berwick, Springvale and surrounding area	
Vrachnas Lawyers Pty Ltd Suite 2, Level 3 Stalbridge Chambers, 443 Little Collins Street MELBOURNE VIC 3000	Telephone: 03 9640 0722 Email: john@vraclaw.com	Melbourne, Sydney, Christmas Island		
Migrant Information Centre (Eastern Melbourne) Suite 2, Town Hall Hub 27 Bank Street BOX HILL VIC 3128	Telephone: 03 9285 4888 Website: www.miceastmelb.com.au Email: mic@miceastmelb.com.au		VIC - Boondara, Knox, Manningham, Maroondah, Monash, Whitehorse and Shire of Yarra Ranges	
Refugee & Immigration Legal Centre Inc (RILC) Level 1, 121-123 Brunswick Street FITZROY VIC 3065	Telephone: 03 9413 0100 Website: www.rilc.org.au Email: rilc@rilc.org.au	Melbourne, Christmas Island	VIC, TAS	
Victoria Legal Aid 350 Queen Street MELBOURNE VIC 3000	Telephone: 03 9269 0234 Email: Robynm@vla.vic.gov.au	Melbourne	VIC	

Tasmania

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address		Detention	Community
Migrant Resource Centre (Northern Tasmania) Inc 95-99 Cameron Street LAUNCESTON TAS 7250	Telephone: 03 6332 2212 Telephone: 03 6332 2211 Website: www.mrcltn.org.au Email: iaaas@mrcltn.org.au		TAS - Launceston, outreach services to Hobart, Devonport and Burnie

South Australia

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address		Detention	Community
Australian Refugee Association Inc (ARA) 304 Henley Beach Road UNDERDALE SA 5032	Telephone: 08 8354 2951 Website: www.ausref.net Email: Peter.Laintoll@ausref.net		SA - Adelaide, Murray Bridge, Mt Gambier, Riverland, Bordertown
Australian Migration Options Pty Ltd Level 3, 345 King William Street ADELAIDE SA 5000	Telephone: 08 8410 1248 Website: www.libbyhogarth.com.au Email: migration@ libbyhogarth.com.au	Christmas Island	
Legal Services Commission of SA 82-98 Wakefield Street ADELAIDE SA 5000	Telephone: 1300 366 424 Telephone: 08 8463 3555 Website: www.lsc.sa.gov.au Email: lsc.migration@ saugov.sa.gov.au	Christmas Island	SA

Western Australia

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address		Detention	Community
Centrecare (incorporating the Catholic Migrant Centre) 23 Victoria Square PERTH WA 6000	Telephone: 08 9288 2233 Website: www.centrecare.com.au Email: reception@centrecare.com.au	Perth, Christmas Island	WA
Centre for Advocacy, Support and Education (CASE) for Refugees 245 Stirling Street PERTH WA 6000	Telephone: 08 9227 7311 Website: www.caseforrefugees.org.au Email: admin@caseforrefugees.org.au		WA - Perth
Legal Aid Western Australia 55 George's Terrace PERTH WA 6000	Telephone: 08 9261 6389 Website: www.legalaid.wa.gov.au	Perth, Christmas Island	WA
Southern Communities Advocacy Legal and Education Service (SCALES) Suite 3, St Nicholas Community Centre 14 Council Avenue ROCKINGHAM WA 6168	Telephone: 08 9550 0400 Website: www.law.murdoch.edu.au/scal es Email: scales@murdoch.edu.au	Perth	WA

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