QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 21-22 MAY 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE12/0339) Program 4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution

Senator Cash (L&CA 76) asked:

In relation to the criticism of the ANAO's finding in relation to section 501 – when will the quality framework be finished by?

Answer.

The Department conducts regular audits of visa processes at offshore posts. Specific quality assurance questions concerning the recommendations of the ANAO report will be introduced to these audits from October 2012 to coincide with the next audit round.