

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 27-28 May 2013

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE13/0051) PROGRAM – 3.1: Border Management

Senator Xenophon asked:

That is right. Have you received comprehensive responses from the Qantas Group in relation to that?

[...]

But could I ask you on notice for those responses to be tabled, if they are not subject to any restrictions.

Answer:

The department received a response in relation to the engagement of air crew who are Special Purpose Visa holders for the first reporting period (1 April to 30 June 2012) from the Qantas group on 13 July 2012.

A response to the second reporting period (1 July to 30 September 2012) was received on 2 October 2012.

A response to the third reporting period (1 October to 31 December 2012) was received on 9 January 2013.

A response to the fourth reporting period (1 January to 31 March 2013) was received on 5 April 2013.

For the most recent reports, the Qantas Group has confirmed that no Qantas or Jetstar overseas-based crew worked on more than four contiguous domestic flights in Australia.

Additional correspondence has been received in relation the review of the Special Purpose Visa. As this review is ongoing, the department is not able to provide copies of this correspondence.