

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 27-28 May 2013

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE13/0326) PROGRAM – 4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution

Senator Cash (Written) asked:

How much was spent conducting compliance raids in 12/13?

Answer:

The Department's compliance field activity is enabled by a range of functions, so it is not possible to separately cost field activity. Other officers are engaged in analysis, research and planning of field visits, identity work, staffing counters responding to clients who present as unlawful non-citizens and managing those clients to resolution of their immigration status.

The cost of compliance field and related compliance teams was \$25,000,814 for the financial year to 31 May 2013.