

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 1 November 2005

IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

(133) Output 1.3: Enforcement of Immigration Law

Senator Nettle asked:

What is the projected expenditure on the case up to the trial's conclusion?

Answer:

The Department is not able to provide the information requested at this time. The Commonwealth's legal adviser, the Australian Government Solicitor, has advised against its release on the basis that as the matter is ongoing, the release of this information may jeopardise the Commonwealth's position and ongoing management of this matter.