QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 1 November 2005

IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

(154) Output 1.3: Enforcement of Immigration Law

Senator Bartlett asked:

How many former habeas corpus releases remain in the community? How many are still waiting for a decision from the DIMIA or the Minister in relation to their immigration status?

Answer:

Departmental systems indicate that there are 10 persons who were released by the Courts remaining in the community. In addition there is one person in criminal detention. As at 29 November 2005 none of these people are waiting for a primary or merit review decision on a visa application, but two have active judicial review processes.