QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 1 November 2005

IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

(278) Output: 3.1 Whole-of-government coordination of policy development and service delivery for Indigenous Australians

Senator Evans asked:

Is it common for a community to wait more than seven years to receive funding that has already been allocated?

Answer:

No. Funding decisions take account of the performance and capacity of the funded organisation, that services are aligned to community needs and seek to ensure value for money, accountability and the delivery of quality services on the ground.