QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

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IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

(205) Output 1.3: Enforcement of Immigration Law

Senator Nettle asked:

In relation to the visit by the PRC delegation to interview immigration detainees, has HREOC reported on this matter yet?

Answer:

Senior Departmental officers and HREOC members participated in a conciliation session in December 2006 regarding the PRC delegation matter. A further conciliation session scheduled for late February this year. The timing of any report from HREOC is subject to the outcome of the conciliation process.