

## QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

### SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 20 OCTOBER 2009

#### IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

#### **(62) Program : Internal Product**

Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

(1) How much has the Department spent on advertising and marketing since November 2007? Ask for justification of expenditure.

(2) Could the Department provide a complete list of current contracts. Please indicate the rationale for each service provided and its intended use.

*Answer:*

(1) All agencies that are subject to the Financial Management and Accountability Act 1997 are required to report procurement contracts awarded where the contract value is \$10,000 or more. These are reported on AusTender, the government's tender and procurement reporting system. The information sought by the honourable Senator in relation to advertising and marketing valued at \$10,000 or more is therefore available on the AusTender website ([www.tenders.gov.au](http://www.tenders.gov.au)), noting that Departments have six weeks to report procurement contracts on AusTender.

(2) Expenditure on advertising and marketing for each financial year is also publicly available in the DIAC Annual Report, available on the Departments website ([www.immi.gov.au](http://www.immi.gov.au)). This includes a complete list of current contracts, rationale for each service and its intended use.