QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 20 OCTOBER 2009

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(83) Program 2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance

Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

Further to evidence given about UNHCR applications and monthly updates of registrations, are these available and could they be provided for the last 12 months.

Answer.

UNHCR monthly updates of new registrations for Indonesia and Malaysia for the period October 2008 to September 2009 are at <u>Attachment A</u> and <u>Attachment B</u> respectively.

The Malaysian data focuses on those nationalities that constitute the majority of Australia's potential irregular immigrants.