

## **QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

### **SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 20 OCTOBER 2009**

#### **IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO**

##### **(88) Program 3.1: Border Management**

Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

I refer to Secretary Metcalfe's answer regarding the report entitled Strategic intelligence forecast-transnational criminal threats to Australia. Given the importance of this biannual report, why did he or DIAC not seek permission of the AFP to pass a copy to Minister Evans?

*Answer:*

The report focuses on criminal threats to Australia. The key audience for this report is law enforcement agencies who would benefit from a broad overview of current criminal threats against Australia. The only part of the report relevant to DIAC's business was a small section on people smuggling which did not warrant distribution to the Minister's office.