QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 OCTOBER 2010

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(149) Program 1.1: Visa and Migration

Senator Cash asked:

How many 457 visas have been granted this year to date?

Answer.

The number of subclass 457 visa applications granted in the 2010-11 financial year to 31 October 2010 is shown in the following table:

Applicant type	Number of grants
Primary applicants	14 900
Secondary applicants	13 220
Total	28 130

Note 1: Figures rounded to the nearest 10