

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 OCTOBER 2010

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(254) Program 4.3 Offshore Asylum Seeker Management

Senator Cash asked:

- (1) What has the department budgeted for the IMRs continued operation over the next financial year?
- (2) What was the cost of the panel in 2009-10?

Answer:

- (1) The budget for 2010-2011 is yet to be determined.
- (2) The total cost for employment of reviewers was approximately \$150,000. Management and support costs were absorbed by DIAC.