

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 15 OCTOBER 2012**

**IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO**

**(SE12/0107) Program: Internal Product**

Senator Humphries asked:

Portfolio wide - Hospitality and Entertainment: Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved and what are the estimated savings over each year of the forward estimates?

*Answer:*

There are no specific plans to reduce the expenditure on hospitality and entertainment, referred to as official hospitality in the department, as the current level of expenditure is considered appropriate for a department that has international engagement with many stakeholder groups.

*MRT-RRT:*

*Answer:*

The MRT-RRT is not planning on reducing its spending on Hospitality and Entertainment.