

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 November 2013**

**IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO**

**(SE13/0019) PROGRAMME – 1.1: Visa and Migration**

Senator Carr (L&CA 49) asked:

Senator CARR: I go to the issue of the streamlined visa processing announcement that the government has made. Mr Secretary, you have drawn attention to it in your statement. Which institutions have been invited to apply for the streamlined visa processing? Mr Bowles: I do not have that with me. I can take that on notice.

*Answer:*

Due to commercial sensitivities, the names of the 22 institutions invited to participate in streamlined visa processing will not be made public until after the invitation and assessment process is complete. The Department of Immigration and Border Protection anticipates that this process will conclude by the end of March 2014.