

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

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

**IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO**

**(SE13/0121) PROGRAMME – 1.1: Visa and Migration**

Senator Rhiannon (Written) asked:

Did the Department of Immigration and Border Protection (DIBP) know that the Sri Lankan Navy started running whale watching cruises in the Southern Sri Lanka city of Galle on 18th of October 2013 and every weekend thereafter.

*Answer:*

The Australian Customs and Border Protection Service within the Immigration and Border Protection portfolio is aware that the Sri Lankan Navy conducts whale watching cruises aboard a recreational cruise ship.