QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 November 2013

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(SE13/0183) PROGRAM – Internal Product

Senator Ludwig (Written) asked:

What is the policy for ministerial staff security clearances?

Answer:

The Protective Security Policy Framework specifies that under Special Minister of State Determination 2012/1, the staff of Ministers employed under Part III of the *MoPS Act* are to obtain and maintain a Negative Vetting Level 2 security clearance unless otherwise varied.