QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 November 2013

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(SE13/0221) PROGRAM – 1.1: Visa and Migration

Senator Xenophon (Written) asked:

Can the department advise whether its inquiry into the use of SPVs for cabin crew has been completed? a. If not, when is it likely to be completed? b. If so, what was the conclusion? What monitoring process will the department put in place to ensure compliance with the new rules? How will the department address the cross-over of jurisdictions between Immigration and Transport?

Answer:

The review of Special Purpose Visas (SPV) for air crew has been completed.

The department has initiated a consultation process with the Minister's office on this matter.