

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 2010-2011, 23 February 2011

Question: E11-067

OUTCOME 10: Health System Capacity and Quality

Topic: NATIONAL EHEALTH TRANSITION AUTHORITY (NEHTA)

Written Question on Notice

Senator Boyce asked:

- a) Did NEHTA ever present to DoHA or the Minister an identifier or summary health record system based on the putatively stolen property?
- b) How much did they spend on computer forensics, lawyers, the time of senior staff etc in the attempt to take control of the IP of the patent?
- c) Did NETHA ever intend to make use of the IP of the patents?

Answer:

a – c)

NEHTA has informed the Department that this information relates to an on-going legal matter which is confidential and subject to legal professional privilege.