

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO
2013-14 Additional Estimates Hearings

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Question No: 592

Topic: Building Multicultural Communities Program (BCMP)

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Senator Moore asked:

Activate Community Services (also known as the Welcome Centre), was allocated \$160,000. This organisation signed their copy of the contract and returned it to the Department of Immigration. Kate Leaney, the Manager of the Welcome Centre, said in a press release that she was given the impression the agreement had been signed off in the Department. Why did the Department lead Ms Leaney to believe that the agreement had been secured?

Answer:

As the funding agreement had not been executed by 4 October 2013, the department did not inform Ms Leaney that the agreement had been finalised.