

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING : 23 February 2015

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(AE15/045) - Asbestos in vehicles from China - Programme 1.1 Border Management (ACBPS)

Senator Carr, Kim (L&CA 78) asked:

Senator KIM CARR: What is the level of risk you ascribe or apportion to the automotive, mining and construction industry products imported from China in regard to asbestos?

Mr Quaedvlieg: I could not give you that.

Senator KIM CARR: Can you take that on notice please?

Mr Quaedvlieg: Yes.

Answer:

Risks of imports from China of automotive, mining and construction industry products containing asbestos are assigned based on a range of factors. These include, but are not limited to, the importers and suppliers history of importing similar goods, the processes they have in place to ensure asbestos containing materials is not being imported, quality assurance/quality control processes both locally and overseas, and the level and results of professional testing and certification in place.