QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING : 27 February 2017

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(AE17/105) - Stationery and paper - Internal Product (DIBP)

Senator Bilyk, Catryna (L&CA) written:

How much did the Department spend on stationery and office supplies (excluding paper) in calendar year 2016 (GST inclusive)? How much did the Department spend on paper in calendar year 2016 (GST inclusive)? What brand of paper does the Department use? Is this paper Australian made? If no, why doesn't the Department buy Australian made paper?

Answer:

For the 2016 calendar year the Department of Immigration and Border Protection spent (GST inclusive) the following on stationery and office supplies:

- \$2.6m on stationery and office supplies excluding paper
- \$0.6m on paper

Paper brands used by the Department in 2016 are listed below:

Brand	Percentage Used in 2016	Country Made
Muru	53%	Indonesia
COS	45%	Indonesia
Australian	2%	Australia

Paper is purchased by the Department through the Whole of Government Stationery and Office Suppliers (SOS) panel, managed by the Department of Finance. The SOS panel was established in accordance with the Commonwealth Procurement Rules (CPRs) and use of the panel is mandatory for the Department. The CPRs require that potential suppliers must not be discriminated against due to their degree of foreign affiliation of ownership, location, or origin of their goods or services.

The Department's use of Muru brand paper contributes to the Commonwealth's efforts to support the Indigenous business sector. Muru Group is an indigenous owned business that donates fifteen percent of profits from the Muru product range to indigenous community projects and initiatives.