QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES - 26 - 27 MAY 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(BE14/155) PROGRAMME – Internal Product

Senator Carr (Written) asked:

What consultations with the MRT/RRT and the DIBP took place prior to the announcement of the amalgamation?

Answer:

The Department of Immigration and Border Protection and the Migration Review Tribunal-Refugee Review Tribunal were consulted on the amalgamation proposal, and the department was given the opportunity to comment on the advice provided to inform the government's decision on this matter.