# QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

## **BUDGET ESTIMATES - 26 - 27 MAY 2014**

## IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

## (BE14/229) PROGRAMME – Operation Sovereign Borders

Senator Carr (Written) asked:

What is the protocol for information sharing within the Department of Immigration and Border Protection (DIBP) and under OSB?

- a. When is DIBP first notified of a tow-back occurring?
- b. Is it before or after the Minister?
- c. When DIBP is notified, who do DIBP have the authority to further notify?

### Answer:

Information is shared on a need to know basis according to the operational requirements of particular situations.