QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 20 OCTOBER 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(SE14/036) PROGRAMME - Internal Product

Senator Carr (L&CA 73-74) asked:

Senator Cash: Could I also just say for the record, I notice that Senator Carr keeps referring to it as a government report. My understanding is that it is actually a report by a service provider. There is a difference, in that it is not an official government report.

[...]

Mr Pezzullo: I would have to check its legal status. It is certainly in the possession of the Commonwealth. It is a report from a prime contractor about how it is going about the performance of its duties.

Senator KIM CARR: Would you take that on notice?

Mr Pezzullo: Of course. I am happy to do so.

Answer:

The report was provided by a service provider to the department and is not a report that has been prepared by the department or the government.