

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 20 OCTOBER 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(SE14/114) PROGRAMME – Australian Customs and Border Protection Service

Senator Carr (Written) asked:

What training has been offered to ACBPS officers when dealing with suspected Ebola sufferers?

Answer:

The Australian Customs and Border Protection Service (ACBPS) has provided all staff with advice from the Department of Health regarding the risk of contracting Ebola, relevant symptoms, preventative measures and good hygiene practices.

Information sessions, conducted by International SOS, are being rolled out to all frontline officers. These sessions include further advice on preventative measures. The sessions have been filmed, and they will be uploaded onto the ACBPS intranet for all staff as soon as possible.

Staff have also been provided with contact details of relevant health authorities for further advice if required.