

## **QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

### **SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 20 OCTOBER 2014**

#### **IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO**

#### **(SE14/278) PROGRAMME – Internal Product**

Senator Ludwig (Written) asked:

How many FOI requests were received between 7 September 2013 to date.

- a. How many of those requests were finalised within the regular timeframes provided under the FOI Act?
- b. How many of those requests were granted an extension of time under s 15AA of the FOI Act?
- c. How many of those requests were granted an extension of time under s 15AB of the FOI Act?
- d. How many of those requests were finalised out of time?

*Answer:*

Between 7 September 2013 and 20 October 2014 the portfolio agencies received a total of 14,376 access requests under the FOI Act.

- a. Of those finalised, a total of 13,911 were finalised within statutory timeframes (i.e. not necessarily 30 days, but including extensions of time).
- b. A total of 1,395 extensions of time were granted under s.15AA of the FOI Act.
- c. A total of 87 extensions of time were granted under s.15AB of the FOI Act.
- d. A total of 103 requests were finalised outside statutory timeframes.