

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio**

**Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet**

**Budget Estimates Hearings 2005-2006, 23 and 24 May 2005**

**Question: PM 25**

**Outcome 1, Output 2.1**

**Topic: Indigenous Budget figure in Budget Paper No. 2**

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**Senator Carr asked: What is the reason for the difference in the Indigenous budget figures quoted in the Secretaries' Bulletin (\$508.4 million) and in Budget Paper No. 2 (\$308 million).**

**Answer:** The Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs tabled a document in its appearance before the Legal and Constitutional Legislation Committee on 27 May 2005 that clarified the different presentations of the Indigenous budget figures.