

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

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IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

(62) Output 1.3: Enforcement of Immigration Law

Senator Nettle asked:

How can the Australian public be confident that the problems with immigration are being fixed up if it is taking so long to investigate?

Answer:

The timing of the Commonwealth Ombudsman's investigation is a matter for that office. The Department will continue to provide him with any assistance required to investigate these cases thoroughly.