

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 February 2008

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(21) Output 1.2: Refugee and humanitarian entry and stay

Senator Ellison (L&CA 70) asked:

How many Ministerial intervention requests are currently in the Minister's office?

Answer:

Based on a manual collection and collation of data, as at 11 April 2008, 1025 cases had been referred to me for consideration of the exercise of my public interest powers including under sections 417, 351, 48B, 195A and 197AB of the *Migration Act 1958*. Of these I considered the exercise of my powers in some 730 cases, of which I have intervened in some 170 cases.