

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 FEBRUARY 2008

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(69) Output 1.3: Border Security

Senator Ellison asked:

Did the Minister seek advice from his department about whether the closure [of the Pacific Strategy] could increase unauthorised boat arrivals to Australian waters?

Answer:

The Department cannot comment on policy advice it may or may not have provided to the Minister.