

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 9 FEBRUARY 2010

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(15) Program 2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance

Senator Humphries (L&CA 48) asked:

At what point was DIAC able to develop a manifest of the names of the 78 passengers on board the Oceanic Viking?

Answer.

Customs had prepared a partial passenger manifest by 18 October 2009, prior to DIAC officers boarding the vessel on 1 November 2009. This manifest was progressively revised by DIAC officers as they interviewed the passengers to get accurate bio-data and personal details of all the passengers.