QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING: 13 FEBRUARY 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(AE12/0054) Program Internal Product: Internal Product

Senator Humphries asked:

Efficiency dividend: Will any staff position be cut to meet the efficiency divided? If yes, provide details of where the positions are locate, the classification, whether the position is ongoing or not.

Answer.

DIAC:

The announced savings measures and increased efficiency dividend will impact on DIAC's staffing levels. These savings will be managed through:

- natural attrition of some positions as staff pursue other opportunities;
- staff redeployment to areas that are identified as requiring additional staff; and
- detailed business planning processes across the department.

Analysis has not yet been completed to allow answers on specific staffing reductions, including location, classification and status of roles (ongoing/non-ongoing). All redeployments will be conducted in accordance with the Australian Public Service Commission redeployment principles.

MRT-RRT:

The Migration Review Tribunal-Refugee Review Tribunal does not intend to cut any staff positions to meet the efficiency dividend.