

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARINGS: 11 February 2013

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(AE13/0234) PROGRAM – 1.1: Visa and Migration

Senator Cash (Written) asked:

Have the RMA submission guidelines been released? If so when? If not, why not?

Answer:

The guidelines for the RMA program have not yet been made publicly available. The Government has undertaken extensive consultations with a wide range of stakeholders on the program guidelines. This has included industry representatives and unions, as well as State and Territory governments and a range of federal government agencies, including through the Ministerial Advisory Council on Skilled Migration. Following these consultations, the Government is considering the guidelines.