QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES - 25 FEBRUARY 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(AE14/093) PROGRAMME – 1.1: Visa and Migration

Senator Seselja (L&CA 118) asked:

Mr Fleming: I can tell you the number of labour agreements approved for 2013-14 to 31 January 2014.

Senator SESELJA: What was that period?

Mr Fleming: That is this financial year, 2013-14, so from 1 July 2013 to 31 January 2014. There were 50 labour agreements approved in that period, and almost all, if not all, of them were since the election.

Senator SESELJA: Almost all of them, so you do not know the number, but could you let us know on notice what that breakdown is between pre 7 September and post 7 September.

Answer:

For the financial year of 2013-14 to 7 September 2013, one labour agreement was approved and between 7 September 2013 and 25 February 2014, 51 labour agreements were approved.

Please note that due to a data entry error, the figure provided at the hearing of 50 agreements approved from 1 July 2013 to 31 January 2014 was incorrect. The correct figure is 46.