

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES - 25 FEBRUARY 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(AE14/234) PROGRAMME – 1.1: Visa and Migration

Senator Carr (Written) asked:

- (a) Will the Government continue the “Expert Panel Family Category” of the Family Stream of the General Migration program?
- (b) If yes, are there any changes proposed? If yes, what are they?
- (c) How many of the 1066 places allocated have been allocated since 7 September 2013 (if any)?
- (d) How many of those have been granted since November estimates?

Answer:

- (a) No.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Prior to discontinuing this category, 1159 places were granted in the 2013-14 programme year, with 648 of those being granted from 7 September 2013.
- (d) None have been granted since 18 November 2013.