

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES - 25 FEBRUARY 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(AE14/245) PROGRAMME – 1.1: Visa and Migration

Senator Carr (Written) asked:

Does the Government have any plans to amend the operations of the MRT-RRT?

If so, what will the amendments entail?

How will these amendments affect the provision of information to applicants in order for them to effectively engage in the review process?

How will these amendments affect the development of efficiencies and expertise in case categories?

How will these amendments affect the allocation of resources to efficiently and accordingly meet the needs of the overall caseload of the MRT-RRT?

How will these amendments affect the improvement of MRT-RRT national case management and decision-making processes?

How will these amendments affect the quality, conciseness and accessibility of reason for MRT-RRT decisions?

Answer:

The Australian Government has not announced any changes to the operations of the Migration Review Tribunal or the Refugee Review Tribunal.