

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 25 February 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

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Senator Conroy (Written) asked:

Is there any approvals process, whether formal or informal, for Operation Sovereign Borders commanders to go through as they approach Indonesian territorial waters?

- a. What does that process involve?**
- b. Who ultimately provides approval?**
- c. Does it vary on a case-by-case basis?**
- d. When would the approvals process begin?**

Answer:

Assets assigned to OSB operations observe international and diplomatic protocols during patrols.