

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES - 25 FEBRUARY 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(AE14/443) PROGRAMME – Internal Product

Senator Ludwig (Written) asked:

Since the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013, what reviews are on-going?

- a. Please list them.
- b. What is the current cost to date expended on the reviews?

Answer:

Significant Investor Visa (SIV) Programme

- a) The review of the SIV programme is currently taking place. This review commenced on 7 March 2014 following a public announcement by the Assistant Minister for Immigration and Border Protection.
- b) Costings of the internal review are yet to be finalised.

Integrity in the Subclass 457 Programme

- a) On 25 February 2014, the government announced the independent review of integrity in the subclass 457 programme.
- b) The independent panel was engaged in early March and costings are yet to be finalised.