

## **QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 25 February 2014**

**IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO**

**(AE14-44)**

Senator Macdonald (L&CA 59) asked:

### **Question**

CHAIR: You said that you have officers in the Torres Strait. Could you indicate to me on notice how many and where?

Mr Pezzullo: Yes.

*Answer:*

The Australian Customs and Border Protection Service have ten full time officers based on Thursday Island. These are supplemented by four additional officers from Cairns on a fly in fly out basis on fortnightly rotations.

Additionally there are four Torres Strait Customs Officers who each work 25 hours per week and they are located on Darnley, Coconut, Mabuiag and Saibai Islands.