QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 22 May 2006

IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

(144) Output 1.2: Refugee and Humanitarian Entry and Stay

Senator Nettle (L&C 104) asked:

You said there was no consultation in relation to decision making. Did the Department of Immigration receive any representations from the Indonesian government or its representatives in Australia in relation to those two – the 43 and the three?

Answer:

At no time was any personal information about the individuals or their claims communicated to the Indonesian Government and no consultation was undertaken in relation to decision making for either of these groups.