QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 22 May 2007

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(124) Output 2.1: Settlement Services

Senator Hurley (L&CA 45) asked:

An appropriation of \$8.4 million in departmental costs has been made for the administration of the AMEP budget. Is there a breakdown of how that money is spent?

Answer:

The estimated expenses for outputs and sub-outputs reported in the Portfolio Budget Statement are based on the attribution rules developed in 2003-04 in conjunction with the Department of Finance and Administration, following a comprehensive review of all of DIAC's activities.

Applying these attribution rules to the 2007-08 Budget, the estimated AMEP administration costs are:

- direct salaries and related costs of AMEP administration \$4.3 million
- allocation of property and other centrally paid costs \$0.6 million
- other departmental overheads including IT costs \$3.5 million

End-of-year results may vary.