QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 21 May 2007

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(23) Output: Internal Product

Senator Nettle (L&CA 33) asked:

Of the 247 how many have been contacted about compensation?

Answer:

As a result of the Ombudsman publishing his reports into Mr G and Mr T, the Department, in line with the recommendations, initiated contact with these two individuals and their representatives. As at 13 June 2007, nine others have made contact with the Department or have begun Court proceedings in relation to compensation. The Department is reviewing each case to determine what, if any, remedies may be appropriate, including compensation.