

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 29 MAY 2008

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(84) Output 2.4: Promoting the Benefits of a United and Diverse Society

Senator Nettle (L&CA 58) asked:

In relation to the Living in Harmony grants, provide a break-up in terms of the \$50,000 grants, the small grants, and then the money retained for issues that may arise out of the grants cycle.

Answer:

\$1.5 million in administered funds is set aside for Living in Harmony Community Relations Funding, which in 2008-09 includes approximately \$100 000 to assist community organisations deliver smaller scale projects.

Under this new arrangement, amounts of up to \$5000 will be available to small community organisations for activities such as community events, forums and information sessions. The remaining money will fund major projects of between \$5000 and \$50 000 for projects of up to 12 months duration.

In addition \$400 000 is available for the development of projects to address particular issues that may emerge outside the annual funding cycle.