

## QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

### BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 27-28 MAY 2009

#### IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

#### **(82) Program 5.1: Settlement Services for Migrants and Refugees**

Senator Joyce asked:

- (1) How many Hazara have been accepted as permanent residents in Australia or become citizens of Australia since 2000?
- (2) Of those, how many have committed a criminal offence?
- (3) How many have been sentenced to prison for these offences?

*Answer:*

- (1) From 1 July 2000 to 3 June 2009 there have been 6302 people from a Hazara ethnic background that have been accepted as permanent residents in Australia. Of these 2884 have become Australian citizens. This data has been sourced from the Department's Settlement Database.
- (2) & (3) In relation to questions 82 (2) and (3) the Department does not hold this information and therefore is unable to provide an answer. Information of this nature may be available from the relevant law enforcement agencies.