QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 27 MAY 2010

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(108) Program : Internal Product

Senator Barnett asked:

How many temporary positions exist or have been created since the additional estimates (Feb 2010)?

Answer.

Please note the department reports on actively occupied positions. Positions are not given a status of permanent or temporary however, staff are either ongoing (permanent) or non-ongoing (temporary).

As at 31 May 2010, the department had 473 non-ongoing employees.

Between 9 February 2010 and 31 May 2010, the department recruited **189** non-ongoing employees. There were also 114 non-ongoing separations in this time, resulting in a net increase of 75 in the department's non-ongoing headcount.