

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 27 May 2010**

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

**(78) Program: 4.3 Offshore Asylum Seeker Management**

Senator Barnett (L&C 42) asked:

Provide the IMA figures used to prepare the estimates for 1999 and 2000.

*Answer:*

The Department does not keep records on a calendar year basis. Therefore, it is not possible to provide the information for 1999 and 2000

The Portfolio Budget Statements 1999-2000 for the Department of Immigration and Multicultural Affairs stated that the output measure in respect of output '1.3.2 Prevent Unlawful Entry' was 3,890 unauthorised arrivals and interdictions. This information can be found at 'Appendix 1 Department of Immigration and Multicultural Affairs Outcome 1: Performance Measures' on page 99.