

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 27 MAY 2010

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(93) Program 3.1: Border Management

Senator Humphries (L&C 64) asked:

How long is it currently taking for ASIO to make security assessments of offshore entry persons?

Answer:

ASIO has advised the Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC) that it is currently completing security assessments of irregular maritime arrivals (IMAs) in an average of 35 days from receipt of the referral from DIAC.