

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 23 MAY 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE11/0014) Program: Portfolio Tribunals (MRT-RRT)

Senator Boyce (L&CA written) asked:

What were, in detail, the “other reasons” for members of the tribunal being absent?

Answer:

‘Other’ reasons include where part time members have other work commitments, where members have been appointed to other government bodies, have left the tribunals, transferred to the Independent Protection Assessment Office (IPAO), were on other forms of leave or identified a conflict of interest after a case had been constituted to them.