

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 24 MAY 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE11/0302) Program 4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution

Senator Cash (L&CA 4) asked:

On how many occasions did the Department prepare submissions to the Minister in relation to various cases of potential cancellation or refusal under section 501?

Answer:

Between 14 September 2010 to 30 June 2011, the Department provided 16 submissions to the Minister for his consideration in relation to the possible refusal or cancellation of a visa using his personal s501 powers. The submissions for personal consideration by the Minister are in addition to the considerations undertaken by the Department.