

## QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

### BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 21-22 MAY 2012

#### IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

#### **(BE12/0004) Program: Migration Review Tribunal and Refugee Review Tribunal**

Senator Cash (L&CA 7-8) asked:

What is the set aside rate this year to date for the MRT broken down by spouse and prospective spouse visas?

*Answer:*

For this financial year to 30 April 2012, 916 **Partner refusal cases (including Prospective Spouse cases)** have been reviewed with 508 cases or 55% (set aside), 240 cases or 26% (affirmed), 98 cases or 11% (withdrawn) and 70 cases or 8% (no jurisdiction).

For this financial year to 30 April 2012, 768 **Partner refusal cases (excluding Prospective Spouse cases)** have been reviewed with 420 cases or 55% (set aside), 213 cases or 28% (affirmed), 70 cases or 9% (withdrawn) and 65 cases or 8% (no jurisdiction).

For this financial year to 30 April 2012, 148 **Prospective spouse refusal cases** have been reviewed with 88 cases or 59% (set aside), 27 cases or 18% (affirmed), 28 cases or 19% (withdrawn) and 5 cases or 3% (no jurisdiction).