

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 21 MAY 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE12/0020) Program: Internal Product

Senator Cash asked:

750 arrivals were budgeted in the 2011-12 budget – what was the figure revised up to for the 2011-12 period?

Answer:

The financial estimate for the care and management of Irregular Maritime Arrivals derived as part of the 2011-12 Portfolio Additional Estimates process assumed 5,645 arrivals in the 2011-12 financial year. This was based on actual arrivals as at 31 December 2011 of 2,945, plus 450 a month for the remainder of the year.