

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 21-22 MAY 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE12/0259) Program 3.1: Border Management

Senator Cash (L&CA 79) asked:

How many Subclass 866 Protection visas have been cancelled since November 2011 and why?

Answer:

Between 01 November 2011 and 30 April 2012, four Protection (Class XA) (subclass 866) visas were cancelled.

System records indicate that:

- two visas were cancelled under section 501(1)(6), of the *Migration Act 1958* which relates to the character test;
- one cancellation was made under section 103, of the *Migration Act 1958* which relates to the provision of fraudulent or bogus documents;
- one cancellation was made under section 116(1)(a), of the *Migration Act 1958* which allows for cancellation when the circumstances for the granting of a Protection visa no longer exist.

Figures are manually sourced from DIAC systems; the data may be subject to change.