QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 21-22 MAY 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE12/0329) Program 2.1: Border Management

Senator Xenophon asked:

Could you clarify the areas in which you believe that DIAC's regulatory efforts are to be applied?

Answer.

In the context of visas for foreign aircrew, the Department's regulatory efforts are applied through the legislative framework set out in the *Migration Act 1958* and *Migration Regulations 1994*. Subsection 4(1) of the *Migration Act 1958* provides that the object of the *Migration Act 1958* is to "regulate, in the national interest, the coming into, and presence in, Australia, of non-citizens".