

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 27-28 May 2013

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE13/0139) PROGRAM – 4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution

Senator Cash (L&CA 72) asked:

Senator Cash: Is there a standard reporting requirement for IMAs released into the community bridging visas? If so, what is it? If not, why not? [...] Is there a standard that you could table?

Answer:

Irregular Maritime Arrivals who are released into the community as Bridging Visa E holders are subject to condition 8401, requiring that they must report at a time or times, and a place specified by the Minister. The frequency of this reporting will vary according to each client's individual circumstances.

Bridging visa holders are also required, under visa condition 8506, to notify the Department at least two working days in advance of any change in the holder's address.