

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

Budget Estimates Hearing: 27 & 28 May 2013

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE13/0225) PROGRAM – Internal Product

Senator Cash (Written) asked:

Does the Department have any outstanding litigation against it relating to IMA operations? What is the value of any outstanding liability? I.e. anticipated cost of cases currently afoot or potential litigation against the Department?

Answer:

As at 31 May 2013 the Department does not have any outstanding litigation against it challenging the lawfulness of IMA operations. There is therefore no outstanding liability and no anticipated costs associated with such litigation. It is not possible to anticipate the cost of litigation that has yet to be initiated against the Department, that is, of potential litigation.