## **QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 27-28 May 2013** 

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE13/0322) PROGRAM – 4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution

Senator Cash (Written) asked:

How many staff work in compliance roles in DIAC in 12/13? How does this compare with previous years?

## Answer:

The Department's Compliance field activity is enabled by a range of functions, so it is not possible to separately report field activity staff. Other officers are engaged in analysis, research and planning of field visits, identity work, staffing counters responding to clients who present as unlawful non-citizens and managing those clients to resolution of their immigration status.

As at 31 May 2013 the equivalent of approximately 311 full time staff were undertaking Compliance field and related Compliance activities\*

The approximate breakdown for prior years is as follows:

Data as at:	No. of Officers undertaking compliance field and related activities*:
30 June 2008	210
31 December 2009	270
30 June 2010	285
30 June 2011	250
30 April 2012	270

Note: Previously published, historical ASL data is only available as at the dates identified in the table above.

<sup>\*</sup> including counter officers, student compliance officers and status resolution officers.