QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 27-28 May 2013

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(BE13/0508) PROGRAM – Internal Product

Senator Humphries (Written) asked:

What is the Department/Agency's program launch spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total program launch spend for this financial year to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs. What program launch spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what program launch spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.

Answer:

(a) The Department has not reported any program launch spend for this financial year to 31 May 2013.

(b) The Minister and Parliamentary Secretary offices have not reported any program launch spend for this financial year to 31 May 2013.

(c) The Department currently has no plans for expenditure on program launches.

(d) A launch is being planned for the strengthened Multicultural Access and Equity Policy. It will take place at 11.30am on Wednesday 31 July 2013 at Parliament House, Canberra. The event is for the Minister to acknowledge the work of her colleagues in developing their Agency Multicultural Plans (AMPs). The Minister will more broadly, promote the strengthened Multicultural Access and Equity Policy across government and to the sector. Catering and associated security costs will be dependent on attendees, but are estimated at approximately $6 000.

MRT-RRT

The MRT-RRT have not reported any program launch spend for this financial year to 31 May 2013.

The MRT-RRT currently have no plans for expenditure on program launches.