

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 1 November 2005

IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

(112) Output 1.3: Enforcement of Immigration Law

Senator Kirk asked:

Did the Pakistan High Commission ask to interview any members of the Bakhtiyari family before issuing emergency Pakistani travel documents? Is the Minister willing to provide all correspondence with the Pakistan High Commission related to the Bakhtiyari family for scrutiny?

Answer:

No, the Pakistan High Commission did not request to interview the Bakhtiyari family before issuing emergency travel documents.

Relevant correspondence with the Pakistan High Commission in relation to the Bakhtiyari family is attached.