

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 1 November 2005**

IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

**(113) Output 1.3: Enforcement of Immigration Law**

Senator Kirk asked:

The Australian Government issued a birth certificate for the Bakhtiyari's youngest child which register both parents as Afghans. Why did the Australian Government issue this legal document, but then seek Pakistani travel documents for Mr and Mrs Bakhtiyrai?

*Answer:*

DIMIA is not responsible for the issuing of birth certificates. This is a matter for the South Australian State registry for Birth, Deaths and Marriages who issued the certificate.