

## QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

### SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 1 November 2005

#### IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

#### (2) Output: Internal Product

Senator Crossin (L&C 37) asked:

How many more staff will be employed on the counter in the state and territory offices?  
Provide a detailed disaggregation about numbers of staff and where they might be.

*Answer:*

In September 2005, an additional distribution of \$7.000million was provided to the department's state and territory office (STO) network. The additional funding was provided to improve client service delivery and address concerns about the adequacy of existing STO funding. Funds were distributed as follows.

	<b>Funding (\$ million)</b>
<b>NSW</b>	2.897
<b>Vic</b>	1.685
<b>Qld</b>	0.746
<b>WA</b>	0.696
<b>SA</b>	0.497
<b>Tas</b>	0.155
<b>NT</b>	0.186
<b>ACT</b>	0.138
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7000000</b>

The additional allocation provides the capacity to recruit approximately 80 additional staff.