

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 1 November 2005

IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

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Senator Murray asked:

What training and awareness sessions are provided, either in-house or through other training providers (eg. DOFA, APS Commission or private firms) in respect of the Order? Please provide a list of the dates, the identity of the training providers and the content of the training that staff attended in 2005. If training and awareness sessions are not provided, please explain why this is the case.

Answer:

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Information on the Senate Order is included in the accredited training provided to departmental staff. An independent training provider, Major Training Services, currently provides a course aimed at qualifying staff in the Certificate IV in Government (Procurement and Contracting) to the department which includes consideration of reporting obligations. In excess of 200 departmental officers have attended these courses over the past two years.

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In 2005, staff with responsibilities for contract negotiations or procurement attended the following workshops and seminars conducted by the Department of Finance and Administration and the Australian Government Solicitor.

Date	Course	Provider
7 Feb 05	Purchasing Awareness	Dept of Finance and Administration
22 Feb 05	Contracting out – Commonwealth Procurement Policy and Practice	Australian Government Solicitor
24 Feb 05	Planning and Conducting a Tender	Dept of Finance and Administration
16 Mar 05	Basic Purchasing Capabilities	Dept of Finance and Administration
26 Oct 05	The Government Procurement Seminar Series	Dept of Finance and Administration
16 Nov 05	The Government Procurement Seminar Series	Dept of Finance and Administration