

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 30 OCTOBER 2006

IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

(203) Output 1.3: Enforcement of Immigration Law

Senator Nettle (L&CA 98) asked:

Provide the ongoing running costs for the other centres that are currently either mothballed or contingency.

Answer:

The centres which are currently mothballed are Woomera and Port Hedland.

The maintenance and security costs for the mothballed Woomera site are \$22,000 per calendar month. The site is to be handed back to the Department of Defence during the 2006-07 financial year.

The maintenance and security costs for Port Hedland are \$60,000 (GST Inclusive) per calendar month.