QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 21 OCTOBER 2008

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(76) Output 1.3: Border Security

Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

Please provide a list of the number of people detected by Australian officials using fraudulent passports based on country of origin during the 2007-08 period?

Answer.

The following data, drawn from DIAC holdings for Programme Year (PY) 2007-08, shows the claimed or assessed nationality of people either interdicted en route to Australia or refused immigration clearance at an Australian Airport by Australian officials because they held improper documentation.

Claimed or Assessed Nationality	Number
Afghanistan	5
Afghanistan Albania	1
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Algeria	1
Bangladesh	1
Belgium	1
Chad	1
China	55
East Timor	1
Ethiopia	1
Fiji	6
Ghana	6
Hong Kong SAR	3
India	-
Indonesia	1
Iran	5
Iraq	42
Italy	1
Japan	1
Kuwait	1
Malaysia	2
Myanmar	9
Nigeria	13
Pakistan	4
Papua New Guinea	19
Philippines	6
Samoa	1

Sierra Leone	1
Singapore	1
Somalia	2
South Africa	6
South Korea	4
Sri Lanka	43
Tanzania	1
Thailand	1
Turkey	2
Vietnam	9
Yemen	1
Zimbabwe	5
Subtotal	264
Unknown Nationality	7
Grand Total	271