

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 OCTOBER 2010**

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

**(256) Program 4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution**

Senator Cash asked:

During the 2009-2010 Financial Year, how many visas have been refused/cancelled by a Departmental officer using the delegated powers given by Section 501 of the *Migration Act*?

*Answer:*

During the 2009-2010 Financial Year, departmental officers cancelled 58 visas and refused 156 visa applications using the delegated powers given by Section 501 of the *Migration Act 1958*.