QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 OCTOBER 2010

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(25) Program: Internal Product

Senator Barnett (L&CA 35) asked:

What funds were appropriated to the Southport office for the 2009-10 financial year?

Answer.

The Parliament appropriates funding to the Department for the overall delivery of outcomes and no funding has been specifically appropriated to the Southport office by the Parliament.

Based on organisational priorities and projected workloads, the Department internally allocated \$1,785,612 from its appropriation in 2009-10 to the Gold Coast Regional Office (located at Southport) for employee expenses and operational supplier expenses. Overhead costs such as information technology and property which were funded centrally have not been included. This amount also does not include the allocation to the Gold Coast airport.