QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 OCTOBER 2010

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(365) Program 6.1: Multicultural and Citizenship Services

Senator Cash asked:

Please advise the status of the development of the Multicultural Centre in Mirrabooka, Western Australia

Answer.

The Government has approved a total funding commitment of \$1.64 million for the Mirrabooka Multicultural Centre, based on estimates of work to deliver the project.

The new multicultural centre is to be delivered in partnership with the City of Stirling (CoS), which will manage the refurbishment works and the operation of the centre.

The funding agreement with CoS was signed on 3 September 2010. The first payment of \$1 million has been made and work on the project has commenced.

The remaining funds will be paid subject to the agreed milestones.

Practical completion of the multicultural centre is expected early in 2013.