

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 OCTOBER 2010

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(394) Program: Internal Product

Senator Barnett asked:

Are there expected changes to current staffing levels over the next 12 months? If yes, provide details including a breakdown of each level staff (each SES band, each Executive Level band and each APS band) detailing the changes. Will this be different to what was reported in the 2010-11 Budget?

Answer:

The Department does not expect changes to current staffing levels aside from that associated with IMA staffing. The Department's Portfolio Budget Statements 2010-11 projects only a negligible reduction in average staffing levels (two from 2009-10 levels). IMA staffing levels are discussed in Questions 7 – 14, 175, 329, and 393.