

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

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

**IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO**

**(395) Program: Internal Product**

Senator Barnett asked:

- (1) Has there been a target for staff reductions to achieve savings?
- (2) What is the target and what strategy is being implemented to achieve this?
- (3) Will staff reductions be used to achieve the Government's election commitment to maintain the 1.25 per cent efficiency dividend?

*Answer:*

- (1) No. There is no target for staff reductions to achieve savings.
- (2) There is no target.
- (3) No. The implementation of the efficiency dividend will not target cuts to staff.