

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 OCTOBER 2010

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(3) Program 3.1: Border Management

Senator Cash (L&CA 17) asked:

Minister, when can we expect an announcement as to at which posts biometrics will be undertaken?

Answer:

An initial announcement about several of the locations where biometrics will be collected is expected before the end of 2010. There will be no single public announcement of all the posts included in the program. Rather, there will be a sequence of media announcements as the roll-out occurs for particular countries.