

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 OCTOBER 2010

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(435) Program: Internal Product

Senator Barnett asked:

- (1) What is the total number of Reviews both completed and ongoing in the portfolio/agency or affecting the portfolio agency since Budget Estimates 2010?
- (2) Please provide a breakdown of reviews completed since Budget Estimates 2010 including:
 - i) when those reviews were provided to Government;
 - ii) estimated cost of producing each review (and total cost); and
 - iii) if the Government has responded to the review or information about when the Government has indicated it will/will not respond to the review.
- (3) How many reviews are ongoing?
- (4) How many reviews have been completed since additional estimates?
- (5) What further reviews are planned in the portfolio/agency?
- (6) Will any of these reviews cease due to the 2010 Election?

Answer:

- (1) Since May 2010, the total number of completed and ongoing reviews in or affecting the portfolio/agency is four (see Attachment A).
- (2) No reviews have been completed since Budget Estimates in May 2010.
- (3) There are currently four reviews ongoing.
- (4) No reviews have been completed since Additional Estimates in February 2010.
- (5) There are no planned reviews for 2010-11.
- (6) None of the reviews have ceased or will cease due to the 2010 Election.

Attachment A

LIST OF REVIEWS COMMISSIONED OR CONDUCTED FOR THE IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

Response to 1, 3

Reviews completed since May 2010	
	NIL
Ongoing Reviews since May 2010	
1.	Review of employer sanctions legislation (commissioned)
2.	Review of Resident Return Visas
3.	Review of educational requirements for admission to the migration agent profession
4.	Review of the continuing professional development framework for registered migration agents
TOTAL NUMBER OF REVIEWS : 4	