

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

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

**IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO**

**(51) Program 2.1: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance**

Senator Cash (L&CA 54-55) asked:

What is the cost of sending departmental officials to Romania to consider applications of the 17 individuals for visas to Australia and how many are in the team?

*Answer:*

From 15-17 October 2010, the Department's Principal Migration Officer from the Australian Embassy in Belgrade travelled by car to Romania, accompanied by one locally engaged staff member from the Embassy, to commence visa processes and conduct interviews of the 15 adults in the group. The cost of travel and accommodation was AUD1032.44.