

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 15 October 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(SE12/0117) PROGRAM – Internal Product

Senator Humphries (written) asked:

Portfolio wide - Reviews: For 2011-12 and this financial year to date: a. How many Reviews are being undertaken? b. What reviews have concluded, and for those that are still ongoing, when will those reviews be concluded? c. Which of these reviews has been provided to Government? d. When will the Government be responding to the respective reviews that have been completed? e. Has the Government responded to all reviews within the timeframe? If not, why not? f. What is the estimated cost of each of these Reviews?

Answer:

The response to this question can be found at [Attachment A](#).

Attachment A

| Name of Review | Conclusion Date/Expected Conclusion Date | Review Provided to the Government | Government Response | Reason for delayed response by Government | Estimated Cost |
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| Independent Review of the Incidents at Christmas Island Detention Centre and Villawood Immigration Detention Centre (Hawke-Williams Review) | 31 August 2011 | Yes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Departmental response was released on 29 November. • Progress report was provided to the Minister on 30 July 2012. • Implementation report was tabled in Parliament on 20 September 2012. | NA | All costs relating to the review were absorbed within existing departmental resources. |
| Review of Humanitarian Settlement Services (HSS) Performance Measures and Contract Management (the Richmond Review) | 30 September 2011 | Yes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Response provided 13 December 2011 | NA | All costs relating to the review were absorbed within existing departmental resources |
| Permanent Employer Sponsored Visa Review | March 2012 | Yes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommendations introduced 1 July 2012 | NA | All costs relating to the review were absorbed within existing departmental resources |

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| Business Skills Review | May 2012 | Yes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 25 May 2012 | NA | All costs relating to the review were absorbed within existing departmental resources |
| Review of Refugee Decision Making Within the Protection Obligations Determination (POD) Process | 29 June 2012 | No | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Response anticipated late 2012 or early 2013 | | All costs relating to the review were absorbed within existing departmental resources |
| Access and Equity Inquiry into the responsiveness of Australian Government services to Australia's culturally and linguistically diverse population | 27 June 2012 | Yes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Response anticipated late 2012 or early 2013 | | All costs relating to the review were absorbed within existing departmental resources |
| Review by the Hon Michael Lavarch AO <i>Report on the Operations of the Migration Review Tribunal and the Refugee Review Tribunal</i> | April 2012 | First Draft - 1 May 2012 | Recommendations supported. Media Release by the Minister for Immigration & Citizenship 29 June 2012 | | All costs relating to the review were absorbed within existing departmental resources |