

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 15 October 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(SE12/0233) PROGRAM – 1.1: Visa and Migration

Senator Cash (written) asked:

The Minister announced the Roy Hill Project EMA on 25 May 2012 – has this EMA been finalised? If not, why not? When do you expect it to be finalised?

Answer:

The Enterprise Migration Agreement (EMA) for the Roy Hill Project has not been finalised.

Following the announcement of the Minister's in-principle agreement on 25 May 2012, the Department and Roy Hill Holdings (RHH) have been negotiating the contractual terms of the agreement.

Negotiations are continuing and the finalisation of the agreement will depend on both sides agreeing to mutually-accepted terms and conditions.