

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 15 November 2012

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(SE12/0342) PROGRAM – 3.1: Border Management

Senator Xenophon (L&CA 88) asked:

Has the Department received any applications in the last 12 months from Australian operators to sponsor pilots and/or cabin crew under 457 visa provisions?

Answer:

A total of 72 primary subclass 457 applications for aeroplane pilots were lodged in the 12 months from 16 October 2011 to 15 October 2012.

In the same period there were no applications for cabin crew lodged.