

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 15 October 2012**

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

**(SE12/0408) PROGRAM – 4.1: Visa Compliance and Status Resolution**

Senator Cash (L&CA 65) asked:

If Mr Al Abassi was on the PACE alert system, when was the Department made aware of it?

*Answer:*

The PACE alert system is operated by the Australian Customs and Border Protection Service. DIAC does not receive automated alerts from it. DIAC was made aware that Mr Al Abassi was on the PACE alert system on 6 June 2012.