

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 November 2013

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(SE13/0007) PROGRAMME – ACBPS

Senator Hanson-Young (L&CA 28) asked:

Mr Pezzullo: We already had a highly classified, secure working premises where BPC currently works, so it made extension of those premises for General Campbell's purposes a logical thing to do. But I will need to come back to you on the detail about how much that has cost me, how many FTE that are involved and so on and so forth.

Answer:

The Australian Customs and Border Protection Service supports Operation Sovereign Borders (OSB) through the secondment of existing staff and resources previously allocated to counter people smuggling operations to the OSB Joint Agency Taskforce.

No additional staff have been recruited for the purposes of supporting OSB.