

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 November 2013**

**IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO**

**(SE13/0049) PROGRAM – Operation Sovereign Borders**

Senator Singh (L&CA 88) asked:

Senator KIM CARR: Lieutenant General, do you know the aggregate figure? Lt Gen. Campbell: The aggregate figure across all of the departments: no, I don't. That would have been the figure that was appropriated through the last budget process— Senator KIM CARR: Yes, it would. Lt Gen. Campbell: and appropriated across a very wide range of agencies and departments. Senator KIM CARR: Can you take on notice: what is the aggregate figure of your current budget arrangements? Mr Bowles: We can take that on notice.

*Answer:*

The budgets of the 16 agencies are the responsibility of the individual agencies. They are not amalgamated into a single Operation Sovereign Borders budget.

Since Additional Estimates were held in November the Government released the Mid-Year Economic Financial Outlook. Further detail can be found there.