

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 November 2013

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(SE13/0184) PROGRAMME – Internal Product

Senator Ludwig (Written) asked:

How many staffers employed by the government under the MOPS Act have security clearances? a. At what level? b. If not, why not?

Answer:

The government requires all MOPS staffers obtain a Negative Level 2 security clearance.

8 staffers have completed this process:

- 1 x Positive Vetting
- 4 x Negative Vetting Level 2
- 3 x Negative Vetting Level 1 (upgrade to Negative Vetting Level 2 in progress)

The remaining staff are in various stages of the security clearance process.