

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 19 November 2013

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(SE13/0203) PROGRAM – Internal Product

Senator Ludwig (Written) asked:

Does the department consult or inform the Minister when or before it makes a decision on a Freedom of Information request? a. If so, when? b. If so, how does this occur?

Answer:

Yes

- a. The department advises the Minister's Office, for information only, three days before a decision on an FOI request on the department's FOI 'Significant Case Register' is sent to the applicant.
- b. The notifications for information are provided to the Minister's Office by email.