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THE ROLE AND OBJECTIVES OF THE IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

A list of the major entities within the portfolio is below.

Department of State

Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC)

Other *Financial Management and Accountability Act 1997* agency

Migration Review Tribunal and Refugee Review Tribunal (MRT-RRT)

Department of Immigration and Citizenship

The department's name has been changed from the Department of Immigration and Multicultural Affairs to the Department of Immigration and Citizenship with effect of the Administrative Arrangements Order (AAO) dated 30 January 2007.

Since Budget 2006-07, DIAC has launched the DIAC Plan. The Plan is a high-level document which outlines the department's future direction. It incorporates the department's new purpose statement, which is *enriching Australia through the well managed entry and settlement of people*.

Migration Review Tribunal and Refugee Review Tribunal

The Financial Management and Accountability (FMA) Regulations were amended with effect from 1 July 2006 to establish a single entity (the 'Migration Review Tribunal and Refugee Review Tribunal' or MRT-RRT) for the purposes of the FMA Act 1997. Up to 30 June 2006, the Migration Review Tribunal and the Refugee Review Tribunal were separately prescribed for the purposes of the FMA Act.

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES AND VARIATIONS — PORTFOLIO LEVEL

The portfolio is seeking additional funding of \$52.6 million, which is offset by savings of \$0.8 million.

Additional funding comprises:

- \$22.9 million of new measure funding for departmental outputs and administered expenses (refer to page 21);
- \$16.0 million for departmental equity injection which includes \$4.0 million of capital injection for a new measure, and \$12.0 million of cash injection to reimburse the department's cash holding depleted by the 2005-06 financial loss (refer to the page 19, page 20 and page 22); and
- \$13.7 million of departmental appropriation to cover the shortfall in the department's base budget funding (refer to page 20).

Saving comprises (refer to page 58):

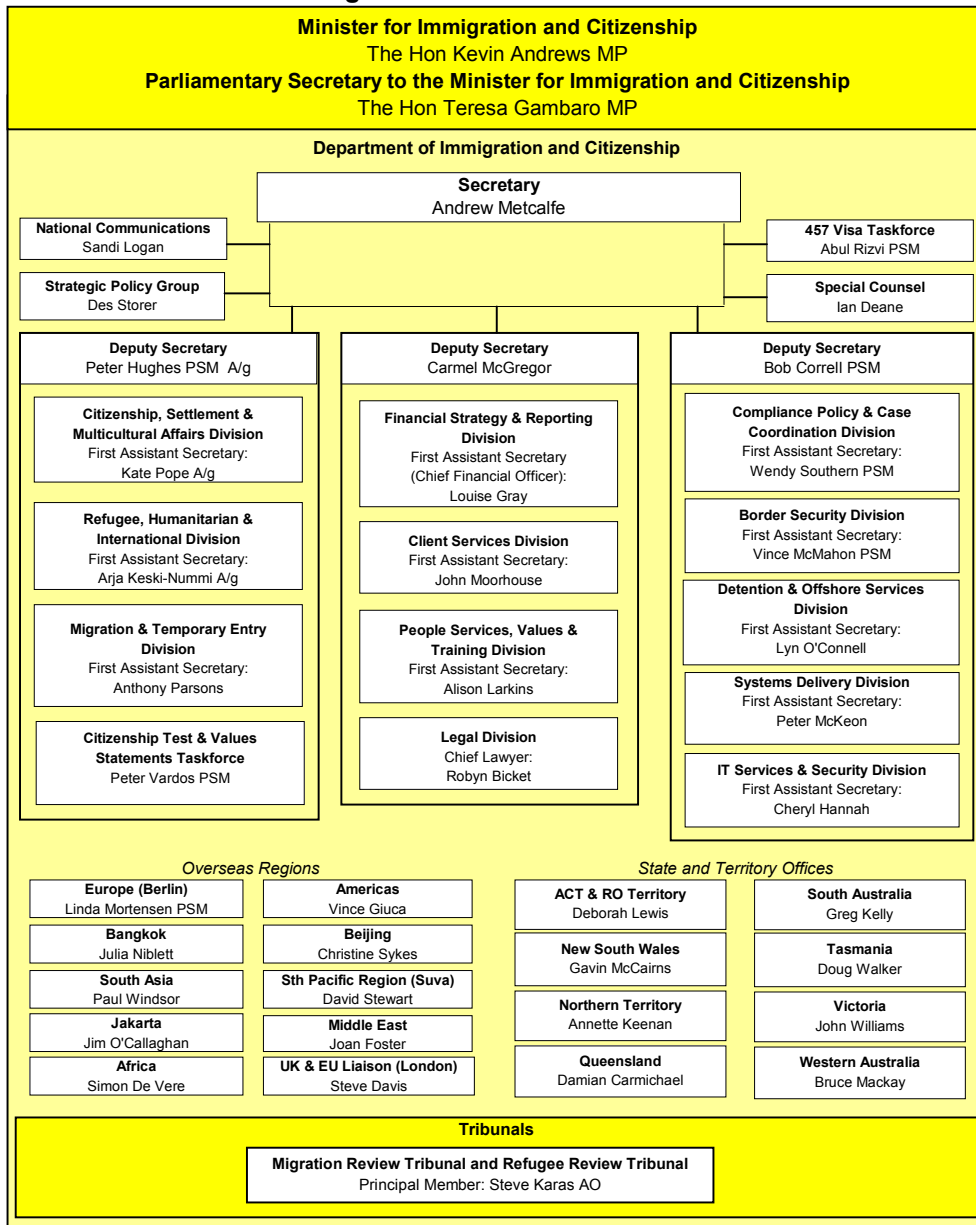
- \$0.8 million in savings from reduction in caseload for MRT and RRT cases.

The revised funding requirements by agency outcome and their impact on revised appropriations are summarised in the following table and detailed in the Agency Additional Estimates Statements section of this document.

Supplementary Table 1: Total appropriation for agencies in the portfolio

	2006-07 budget \$'000	2006-07 revised \$'000	Increase/ (decrease) \$'000
DIAC			
Administered			
Administered appropriations (Bills 1 & 3)			
Outcome 1	44,209	44,209	-
Outcome 2	187,689	188,189	500
Total DIAC administered (Bills 1 & 3)	231,898	232,398	500
Administered (Bills 2 & 4)			
Outcome 2 Specific purpose payments to the states and territories (Bills 2 & 4)	2,253	2,703	450
Total DIAC administered (Bills 2 & 4)	2,253	2,703	450
Departmental			
Departmental appropriations (Bills 1 & 3)			
Outcome 1	992,488	1,009,365	16,877
Outcome 2	156,412	175,198	18,786
Total DIAC departmental (Bills 1 & 3)	1,148,900	1,184,563	35,663
Departmental equity injections (Bills 2 & 4)	116,165	132,193	16,028
Other Appropriations			
Administered special appropriations			
Outcome 1	4,500	4,500	-
MRT-RRT			
Departmental			
Departmental appropriations (Bills 1 & 3)			
Outcome 1	40,474	39,659	(815)
Total MRT-RRT departmental (Bills 1 & 3)	40,474	39,659	(815)
Departmental equity injections (Bills 2 & 4)	-	-	-

Figure 1: Portfolio structure



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