

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES – 26 – 27 MAY 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(BE14/086) PROGRAMME – 2.1 and 2.2: Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance

Senator Hanson-Young (L&CA 52) asked:

Ms Larkins: We are on track. I do not have the actual details of where we are up to today, but I think we are headed towards resettling around 600 from Indonesia this year.

Senator HANSON-YOUNG: You are saying 'on track', so that is what the department had proposed?

Ms Larkins: Yes. This is the busiest time for our programs; we are now in the process of finalising the program. But we expect that that will be where we are at the end of the program year, on 30 June.

Senator HANSON-YOUNG: And what about Malaysia?

Ms Larkins: I do not have those figures with me and I am not sure where we are up to with Malaysia, so I will take that on notice, Senator.

Answer:

As at 31 May 2014, a total of 720 offshore humanitarian visas have been granted to persons located in Malaysia.