QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE – LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS REFERENCES COMMITTEE

INQUIRY INTO AUSTRALIA'S AGREEMENT WITH MALAYSIA IN RELATION TO ASYLUM SEEKERS: 23 SEPTEMBER 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(QON 22)

Senator Cash asked (in writing):

[Regarding transfer process] What are the obligations on Australia in terms of providing details of each individual person to be transferred under the Agreement to the Malaysian Government?

Answer.

Clause 1.1.2 (a) of the *Operational Guidelines to Support Transfers and Resettlement* sets out the obligations in terms of providing to Malaysian authorities the client details for each individual to be transferred. These details are incorporated in removal documentation, biometrics and nominal roll biographic information which is contained in the transfer flight manifest.