



Second report on immigration detention in Australia released tonight

The Joint Standing Committee on Migration will table its second report into immigration detention at approximately **9:00pm tonight Monday 25 May** in the House of Representatives.

The report is the second of a series of three inquiring into developing a new immigration detention system for the future. This report, *Immigration detention in Australia, Community based alternatives to detention*, examines the conditions and material support for release into the community, including appropriate options for community-based alternatives to secure detention.

The second report:

- inquires into international experience
- considers the manner in which such alternatives may be utilised in Australia to broaden the options available within the current immigration detention framework, and
- evaluates the cost effectiveness of these alternatives with current options.

The Committee is expected to release the third report of its inquiry into immigration detention later this year. This report will address the remaining terms of reference which consider service provision and the infrastructure required to support the immigration detention framework for the future.

Embargoed copies of the second report will be available to members of the parliamentary press gallery from **Suite R1 106 at 4pm Monday 25 May**.

Copies of the report will be publicly available following tabling at <http://www.aph.gov.au/house/committee/mig/reports.htm>

For media comment, please contact the Committee Chair, Michael Danby MP, on (02) 6277 4520.

For background information, including the full terms of reference, please visit the inquiry website at <http://www.aph.gov.au/house/committee/mig/detention/index.htm> or contact the Committee Secretariat on (02) 6277 4560 or jscm@aph.gov.au.