QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING: 23 February 2015

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(AE15/038) - Running Costs of Offshore Detention Centres - Programme 3.2 Compliance, Detention and Status Resolution (Departmental)

Senator Hanson-Young, Sarah (L&CA 69) asked:

Senator HANSON-YOUNG: I would like to know the cost of running the Nauru detention centre and the Manus Island detention centre, what the current costs of Christmas Island are given the reduction in people there, and of course the mainland. I also want to know whether there have been any contract variations for any of the primary contractors for each of those three facilities. Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Mr Pezzullo, it would be good if you could make sure people have them on notice.

Answer:

The total operating cost of the Nauru Regional Processing Centre (RPC) from 1 July 2014 to 31 January 2015 was \$276.450 million.

The total operating cost of the Manus RPC from 1 July 2014 to 31 January 2015 was \$293.708 million.

The total operating cost of detention on Christmas Island from 1 July 2014 to 31 January 2015 was \$102.913 million.

The department has not executed any contract variations to the current contracts with Transfield Services (Australia) or Save the Children which commenced on 24 March 2014 and 1 September 2014 respectively.

The International Health and Medical Services contract for RPCs was executed on 29 January 2014. It was varied in April 2014 to expand services in Manus. This included provision of dental, psychiatry and other support services.

The (onshore) Immigration Detention Facilities and Detainee Services Contract was executed by the department and Serco on 10 December 2014 commencing on 11 December 2014. The contract's initial term is five years. One minor administrative variation is pending that does not change the scope, quality or value of service.

The (onshore) Immigration Detention Health Services Contract was executed by the department and IHMS on 10 December 2014 commencing on 11 December 2014. The initial term of this contract is five years. There has been no variation to this contract.