

## **QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING : 23 February 2015**

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

**(AE15/058) - Orange Life rafts - Operation Sovereign Borders**

Senator Carr, Kim (L&CA 97) asked:

Senator KIM CARR: Can you tell me how many additional boats were purchased between May 2014 and October 2014? I presume you are referring here to the orange life rafts.

Mr Quaedvlieg: Yes, I am assuming that is the case, but I will need to take that question on notice.

Senator KIM CARR: Perhaps while you are there you can tell me what the cost was.

Mr Quaedvlieg: I will have to take that question on notice as well.

Senator KIM CARR: How much have you spent on those boats to date?

Mr Quaedvlieg: I can take that question on notice.

Senator KIM CARR: Are you able to tell me what the unit price is of the boats?

*Answer:*

The Australian Customs and Border Protection Service is unable to provide details of the number of orange lifeboats purchased as this information is operationally sensitive.

A total of \$2.5 million has been spent on orange lifeboats for Operation Sovereign Borders.