## QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

**ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING: 23 February 2015** 

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(AE15/060) - Cambodia Agreement - Operation Sovereign Borders

Senator Hanson-Young, Sarah (L&CA 99) asked:

Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Mr Secretary, there was a delegation earlier this year of Australian and Nauruan officials who went to Nauru in order to progress the Cambodia arrangement. That is where I would like to start. Can you tell me who represented Australia on the visit? Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Who else was in the Australian delegation? Lt Gen. Campbell: Myself and Deputy Secretary Cormack, formerly of the Department of Immigration and Border Protection, and I would have to take on notice the other members. Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Did members of the Cambodian delegation meet with asylum seekers at the centre?

Lt Gen. Campbell: I would have to take that on notice.

## Answer:

- a. The Cambodian delegation was accompanied for the duration of their travel by Minister Counsellor, Greg Kelly, from the Australian Embassy, Phnom Penh. While in Nauru, they were joined for part of their visit by:
  - Lieutenant General, Angus Campbell;
  - former Department of Immigration and Border Protection Deputy Secretary, Mark Cormack;
  - First Assistant Secretary, Kate Pope; and
  - Nauru Joint Advisory Council member, Dr Maryanne Loughry.
- b. Members of the Cambodian Delegation did not visit the Nauru Regional Processing Centre or meet with transferees.