QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

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IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(AE15/075) - Human Rights Commission Report - Programme 3.1 Compliance, Detention and Status Resolution (Administered)

Senator Hanson-Young, Sarah (L&CA 116) asked:

Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Do you know how long she had been in detention in Nauru? Mr Douglas: I do not have that information to hand. I will take that on notice. Senator HANSON-YOUNG: I want to know what type of assistance and mental health support this young woman was being given before she threw herself off a building? Mr Douglas: I do not know that. I will need to take that on notice. Senator HANSON-YOUNG: Was she considered to be at high risk prior to throwing herself off the building, Mr Douglas?

Answer:

Prior to her transfer to Australia in January 2015, the 16 year old girl had been accommodated at the Nauru Regional Processing Centre (RPC) for approximately 8 months.

All transferees at the RPCs and in immigration detention in Australia receive health care appropriate to their clinical indications and comparable to Australian community standards, delivered by general practitioners, nurses, psychologists, counsellors and visiting specialists. These services are provided or coordinated by the contracted Health Service Provider, International Health and Medical Service.

For privacy reasons it would not be appropriate to provide detail about the specific services that have been provided to this transferee or her medical history.