QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING: 23 February 2015

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(AE15/159) - PNG - Programme 3.5 Illegal Maritime Arrival (IMA) Offshore Management (Administered)

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

What is the current per person cost of visas for asylum seekers and refugees on Manus Island? How much has the Government paid for asylum seeker and refugee visas since the camp was reopened?

What is the current per person cost for staff visas on Manus Island? How much has the Government paid for staff visas since the camp was reopened?

Answer:

The Government has not incurred any visa related costs in relation to transferees or refugees on Manus Island.

There are no visa charges imposed for departmental staff travelling on official business.