QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING: 23 February 2015

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(AE15/163) - Torture and Trauma Issues - Programme 3.1 Compliance, Detention and Status Resolution (Administered)

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

Of the 157 Tamils held at sea for over four weeks, how many people reported experiences of torture and trauma?

How many of these people have been referred to torture and trauma counselling in Nauru?

Answer:

All of the 157 individuals who arrived on the boat in question were asked about any history of torture and trauma before their transfer to Nauru. Of these:

- 30 reported a history of torture or trauma and accepted referral.
- 77 reported a history of torture or trauma and declined referral.
- 50 did not report a history of torture or trauma.